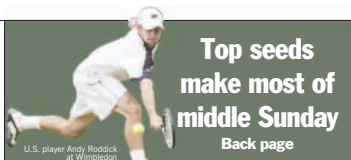


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New boss at the helm



GARY B. GRANGER JR./Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

Rear Adm. David A. Gove, left, salutes as he is piped aboard his change-of-command ceremony as commander of Submarine Group Seven on Saturday. Gove assumed the duties from Rear Adm. John J. Donnelly. Submarine Group Seven coordinates and controls submarine activities over almost half the earth's surface, from the Western Pacific to the Indian Ocean. The command also directs all submarine operations and mission-tasking requirements in the Seventh Fleet area of responsibility.

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News Tracker ... What's new with old news

States

Detroit fireworks shooting: The man who Detroit police believe shot nine people during a downtown fireworks show was ordered held on \$100 million bond as officials searched for a second suspect.

Police said the shootings apparently followed an argument, and innocent people were caught in the crossfire. Three victims remained hospitalized Sunday, including one who was in critical but stable condition with a bullet wound to his heart.

The attack occurred Wednesday during an annual fireworks show that had drawn hundreds of thousands downtown and along the Detroit River that runs between the city and Windsor, Ontario.

Airport background checks: A select group of frequent fliers is getting a chance to bypass extra security inspections at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, but to do that they must submit to background checks in advance.

On Monday, Minnesota's largest airport was to become the first in the country to start signing up a hand-picked group of people for a 90-day pilot program for the Transportation Security Administration.

Only frequent fliers contacted by Northwest Airlines are eligible. Northwest spokesman Thomas Becher said 1,600 people had expressed interest as of Friday, and only 30 of those contacted were not interested.

World

Iran nuclear program: Iran said Sunday it is committed to its suspension of uranium enrichment but plans to resume building centrifuges in response to censures from the U.N. nuclear watchdog over its nuclear program.

The head of the International Atomic Energy Agency said he hopes Iran will reverse its decision, a setback in international attempts to resolve the standoff with Tehran over its program.

West Bank violence: Palestinian militants dug a tunnel under an Israeli army outpost and detonated a huge bomb Sunday, collapsing a concrete building. Paramedics said about 10 Israelis were wounded, significantly lowering initial estimates.

Arab satellite TV stations said five Israeli soldiers were killed in the blast, for which Hamas and the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades claimed responsibility. Israel's military censor bars reporting on dead soldiers until families have been notified, but security officials suggested the Arab TV reports were in-



Pakistan prime minister: Former Pakistani Prime Minister Zafarullah Khan Jamali, left, shakes hands with newly nominated prime minister Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain, right, after their meeting in Islamabad, Pakistan, on Sunday. Lawmakers will vote Tuesday for a new prime minister following the resignation of Jamali, a senior official told The Associated Press. Hussain is almost certain to win the vote and will take over in a caretaker role until political maneuvering allows respected Finance Minister Shaukat Aziz to assume the position.

accurate.

Initial Israeli reports spoke of at least 30 casualties, but as the confusion cleared, those figures were lowered. One man remained trapped in the building about two hours after the blast.

The blast went off shortly before 10 p.m. at an army outpost at the Gush Katif junction, near Gaza's largest bloc of Israeli settlements. The outpost is protected by reinforced concrete.

Indonesian security: The governor of Indonesia's war-torn Aceh province claimed Sunday that security was improving in the region, state news agency Antara reported, despite recent clashes that killed at least nine alleged rebels.

Indonesian troops killed six suspected separatists on Friday. Three rebels were also shot dead Thursday, said local military spokesman Lt. Col. Asep Sapari. Rebel leaders were not available for comment. It is impossible to independently verify military claims about Aceh, because journalists are barred from most of the province.

Zimbabwe elections: Zimbabwe Presi-

dent Robert Mugabe's government has agreed to adopt regionally accepted election standards — including translucent ballot boxes — in a bid to eliminate the need for western "imperialist" observers, a state newspaper has reported.

Mugabe's hand-picked 26-member politburo agreed in a special session to adopt election guidelines drawn up by the 14-member Southern Africa Development Community ahead of the March 2005 general elections, the state-run Herald newspaper reported.

Russian attack: The president of the Russian republic of Ingushetia on Sunday denied that authorities had specific warning of an attack that left at least 98 people dead, the Interfax news agency reported.

Since the June 21-22 fighting that gripped Ingushetia's main city Nazran and other communities, there have been conflicting statements about how many authorities knew ahead of time and officials have debated how hundreds of heavily armed fighters could have mounted the tightly coordinated assaults.

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2 Misawa troops arrested in beating of locals

Stars and Stripes

Two servicemembers from Misawa Air Base, Japan, were arrested Saturday on suspicion of attempted murder in Moriohira city, about 70 miles south of the base. Iwate Prefectural Police accused them of beating two Japanese men.

Darius Antonie Carlton, 20, and Micha-

el Alan Maldonado, 20, were arrested at 4:23 a.m. Saturday. They are accused of severely hitting two Japanese men on their faces and heads after the Japanese were in a fight between the servicemembers and other Japanese in a Moriohira city parking lot. The police said the two servicemembers struck the men with metal weapons, described by police as a

metal glove with four finger holes. The two Japanese men — a 42-year-old businessman and a 31-year-old driver — could have died had the two servicemembers continued to beat them, police said, noting their injuries included a skull depression and lacerations.

Misawa Air Base officials could not be reached Sunday to seek verification of the

servicemembers' names, ranks and branch of service. A spokesman for Moriohira East Police, which is handling the case, said the two servicemembers were in Japanese custody as of Sunday. A spokesman from both the Iwate Prefectural Police and Moriohira East Police said they did not know the two servicemembers' ranks or assigned units.

All rapped up

Petty officer turns talent, need for cash into promising career

BY JULIANA GITTLER

Stars and Stripes

Jessie Joyner moved to Japan in 2000 as a 20-year-old Navy seaman. Like most junior enlisted guys, he hoped to find a way to earn a little extra cash.

"I didn't have a lot of money, but I was a fairly decent rapper," he recalled.

So Joyner hit the clubs, performing at every open-mike night in Yokohama, Tokyo or anywhere he could get from his Yokosuka Naval Base home. He just wanted to earn enough to pay his DoCoMo cell phone bill. He ended up cleaning house.

"I won nine in a row," he said. That's just the contests that paid a cash prize — about \$300 to \$500 a pop. He earned a reputation winning all kinds of contests and soon built up a following.

A few months later, rap star Lil' Kim was looking for an opening act for her Japan tour. She wanted someone local and "real," Joyner said. She asked around and the fingers pointed at him.

"I didn't believe it at first when I got that phone call," he said.

He hung up on Kim's promoter two times. "I thought it was a joke."

She finally convinced him and after a few conversations, and with his command's support, Joyner hit the road for the tour. His ship, the USS Curtis Wilbur, was in dry dock at the time.

"I couldn't leave the country, so I did three shows in Japan," he said.

The shows went well, and Joyner said he learned a lot about music and the business. And the celebrity bug bit him hard.

"Something happened to me on that tour," he said.

Maybe it was the hotels, fanfare and following of groups. But he liked it. "It felt good when I was on the tour and I wanted it back," he said.

After the tour, he returned to his job as a ship engineer.

Joyner, whose stage name is Dro Black, said he realized he wanted to be a rapper and needed a job that afforded him a little more time to practice. His stage name is derived from the Japanese pronunciation of Joe Black, from the movie "Meet Joe Black," which came out as he was getting started.

Joyner changed jobs, from engineer to culinary specialist — a cook. It was still hard work, he said, but he had a little more time to write and perform. He's now a third class petty officer at 23.

Joyner was inspired by successful people who had made fortunes after coming from very humble backgrounds.

Growing up in Washington, D.C., Joyner had a rough life. After high school, he realized jobs weren't easy to come by and joined the Navy for the discipline, work ethic and steady income.

It completely turned him around. Joyner said the money he earned from the Navy, his increased determination and the experience gleaned from his background all fueled his ability to become a star.

Joyner also befriended others who encouraged him — Navy cryptologist Kevin Hill, now a second class petty officer, and his friends at Yokosuka: Mary Gaynor, a second class petty officer (cryptologic technician (maintenance)), and Dwayne Anglin, a third class petty officer and a gas turbine system technician (mechanical).



Courtesy of the U.S. Navy

Petty Officer 3rd Class Jessie Joyner, a culinary specialist at Atsugi Naval Air Facility, Japan, recently released a rap CD. The album was released under a record label he and three friends created.

Hill, a born businessman, realized Joyner's potential.

"That's when he had a crazy idea to start a record company," Joyner said.

All four began saving for a year to buy the equipment necessary to start a record label. With \$10,000, they started Cobra Law Records and produced their first album of Joyner's rap. Gaynor and Anglin contributed.

"We pretty much were all determined," Hill said. "We knew that once people heard it they would like it."

They all put their faith in Joyner's determination. The group made 500 CDs to start. The CDs arrived last week and most are already sold. They're ordering the next 500 now.

The four men are to remain in Japan by transferring to nearby duty stations when their tours were over.

Today, Joyner works at Atsugi Naval Air Facility and Hill at Yokota Air Base. Gaynor and Anglin remain at Yokosuka.

Joyner's already started the next CD and continues to perform.

July 3-5 he's to open for Kelis, best known for the song "Milkshake." Tickets for the show, with a copy of Joyner's CD, are available at Yokosuka's International Tours and Travel for 4,800 yen.

Copies of the CD are available for 1,000 yen or \$10 from any of the four record label owners. Or e-mail them through their Web site, www.cobralawrecords-llc.com.

Joyner is enjoying the success, but he says his Navy job comes first. Being in the military, he said, is what sets him apart and provides the foundation for his hard work.

"If I didn't join the Navy, I know I wouldn't have done it," he said.

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Guam appears safe from tropical storm

BY SHAREN SHAW JOHNSON

Stars and Stripes

Tropical storm TingTing boogie-boarded up the Pacific this weekend, threatening to turn into a full-fledged typhoon as the week began — and perhaps leaving at least some Guam residents reflecting that everything's relative.

On the one hand, the small western Pacific island appeared well on its way to escaping the almost paralytic punneling Super Typhoon Pongsona delivered two years ago. As of 4 p.m. Sunday, according to the National Weather Service, TingTing — in Hong Kong, a pet name for young girls — was 260 miles east-northeast of Guam, heading north-west at 13 mph.

"It's supposed to become a typhoon at 9 a.m. Monday," Lt. Arwen Consaul, in charge of the island's affairs officer, Naval Forces Marianas, said Sunday evening. "But it's heading north. Our meteorologist says the eye is not going to hit Guam."

Instead, it was taking aim at Saipan, Tinian and Agrihan, for which the weather service issued, respectively, typhoon warnings and a watch.

Guam's civilian government had ordered the island under Tropical Cyclone Condition of Readiness 3, the Pacific Daily News reported. But as of Sunday evening, Consaul said, both CNF Marianas and Andersen Air Force Base planned to remain at the less-threatening TCCOR 4, when destructive winds of 58 mph or greater are expected within 72 hours.

On the other hand, on the wetness scale, by Sunday Guam already had passed "soggy" and appeared well into "partially submerged."

Heavy flooding and torrential rain were expected to continue through Sunday evening, according to the newspaper. Flash flooding was also spotted throughout the island, the paper stated, with residents reporting that rain-triggered mudslides and flooding had made some roads impassible.

"Flooding is pretty bad," Consaul said. "You have to stay in the center lane in some places and a lot of cars have been left by the sides of the roads. They're predicting some areas will get 15 inches of rain."

Several people had to be rescued by personal watercraft after their cars stalled in the flooded road to a middle school, the Pacific Daily News reported.

CNF Marianas equipment appeared to have been secured safely, in accord with TCCOR 4 procedures, Consaul indicated. Andersen Air Force Base officials could not be reached for comment Sunday evening. However, Robert Brooks, civilian

controller on watch for the U.S. Coast Guard, said no reports had reached his office of military or civilian craft endangered by the storm.

Consaul and Brooks said they were aware of any injuries or deaths that had been reported.

The Pacific Daily News also reported, though, that power outages were logged in spots throughout

the island, including parts of central Guam; that a Continental flight from Manila was diverted to Saipan; and that at least 22 people sought refuge at a middle school in Yigo, one of four emergency shelters the civilian government opened this weekend.

And the storm was churning Guam's usually placid coast line. "The waves are huge," Consaul said — prompting civilian and military authorities to warn residents to avoid both beach walks and surfboards until the seas have calmed somewhat.

On Dec. 8, 2002, Super Typhoon Pongsona slammed into Guam, a U.S. territory some 4,000 miles southwest of Hawaii, diverting hours of sustained winds up to 180 mph leveled thousands of homes and left the minuscule island with no electricity, potable water or phone service. In January 2003, the Pacific Daily News reported damages topped \$73 million.

In contrast, meteorologists said Sunday that TingTing's maximum sustained winds were 60 mph.

Missile defense skirting federal law for testing

BY STEPHEN J. HEDGES

Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — In its effort to quickly build and deploy a missile defense system, the Bush administration has quietly sidestepped a federal law that requires "operational testing" for new weapons systems before they are deployed.

Instead, the Defense Department has argued that its ambitious \$50 billion program to destroy missiles fired at the United States is still under development and not ready for such testing even though the first interceptors of the system are scheduled to be installed and switched on this fall.

Opponents say the Pentagon's explanation is doublespeak. The administration's missile defense program already is in production, they argue, and the development claim is a ruse to ward off scrutiny.

"I think it will be in 'development' forever," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., who wants flight tests before more money is spent.

"We've offered several variations for saying, 'Let's go ahead and do this testing.' ... But there's a political impetus. This has been an icon for the conservatives since the Reagan years."

Even in the bare-knuckle world of Pentagon weapons contracting, an open challenge to a federal statute is unusual. But the dispute over what the law requires is just one of many extraordinary flash points within the complex and controversial missile defense program.

Though overshadowed recently by the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, the bid to build a national missile defense system is starting to attract renewed attention now that deployment will begin within a few months.

Missile defense may prove to be one of the nation's most technologically ambitious and costliest weapons programs ever, and its imminent operation is making some lawmakers ask more urgently whether the relatively light testing that has been conducted is enough.

The Senate last week approved \$10 billion for missile defense spending for next year, similar to a House measure. Since 1984, Pentagon figures show, the United States has spent more than \$73 billion on missile defense — including about \$20 billion since President Bush took office.

The Pentagon's Missile Defense Agency projects that it will spend

\$50 billion on the program in the next five years. One group, Economists Allied for Arms Reduction, estimates the eventual price tag will be \$800 billion to \$1.2 trillion.

Champions of the program say the group's estimates are wildly inflated, and that funding will be tracked closely by Congress. They also argue that there could be a high cost to not building the system.

"What's the price of New York City?" asked Rep. Curt Weldon, R-Pa., a proponent of missile defense. "Is it \$100 million? A billion? If one nuclear warhead's able to penetrate our airspace and destroy one city, what's the price?"

Weldon is among many in Congress who have long backed missile defense and are watching it become a reality under Bush.

Supporters argue that while no system will protect against every attack, technological advances make it incumbent on the United States to deploy a shield that can protect Americans from missiles fired either intentionally by rogue states or terrorists, or accidentally by nations such as Russia or China.

This fall's installment is envisioned as a first, limited phase of the program.



Bob Parker, president of Fallen Friend, holds a medallion Friday in Knoxville, Tenn. Since 1995, his nonprofit organization has given medals to family members of servicemen, police officers and firefighters who have died in the line of duty. The Army informed Parker in April it would no longer help him distribute the medals because there is a reference to a Bible verse on the back of the medals.

Group's religious medals rejected

BY ELIZABETH A. DAVIS

The Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Since 1995, Bob Parker has sent nearly 6,000 honorary medallions to survivors of servicemen, police officers and firefighters killed in the line of duty. But the Army recently told Parker that it won't help him distribute the medals any more because they include a reference to a Bible verse.

The denial is based upon the religious content on the medallion. There are some next of kin that may find the inscription offensive to their personal religious beliefs," Lt. Col. Kevin Logan, chief of the casualty operations division, wrote in one of two letters Parker received from the Army.

The Marines, Navy and Air Force have continued to provide Parker with names — but only after asking the families if they want to receive the medallions.

Parker's nonprofit organization Fallen Friend has 17 more medallions ready to send, including one for Pat Tillman, the football player who quit the NFL to become an Army Ranger and was killed in Afghanistan in April.

Parker, 70, an Army veteran, believes all the families should have a choice to accept the medals or refuse them. "I will not compromise," Parker said. "I told the lieutenant colonel who sent the first (letter) I will go to a higher-up. This will not stop here." He says he had never received any complaints about the medallions before and no family has ever returned one.

The gold-colored medallion is inscribed with words "A Fallen Friend," the servicemember's name and "John 15:13, 'For the Bible verse 'Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.'"

It also bears a picture of hands cupped around a bell with the words "Liberty Rings for All Nations" and "United We Stand, Divided We Fall."

"These people died for a choice. That's what really broke me up," said Parker, of Clairfield. "The families that would like to have the medallions don't have the choice to say yes or no. They are denying them the very thing that these people are dying for freedom of choice."

The military branches provide Parker the names of the soldiers, and he sends the medals to the military to be distributed to the survivors.

In April, the Army returned 16 medals Parker already had engraved. An April 27 letter from the Army told him each group wishing to send gifts or letters to next of kin must seek approval and fill out a questionnaire.

Parker returned the questionnaire, and the Army responded with a May 4 letter denying his application.

Army spokeswoman Shari Lawrence, said the Army reviewed its practice of helping people send things to survivors and found some items were inappropriate. "They should have not been sent in the first place," she said.

Mini boot camp tests JROTC cadets

BY KRISTIN DAVIS

The Free Lance-Star

BOWLING GREEN, Va. — As the sun crept over the treetops at Fort A.P. Hill, groups of Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps cadets took turns jumping into a cold pool for a course called "drown-proofing." Some could swim. Some couldn't.

But by 10 a.m., all of them knew that if they tie past legs together and slap them, waist down, straight into the water, they'll fill up with air. And if they clasp the waist, capturing the air, and slip the knotted part behind your neck, you've got a life vest that will keep anyone above water for hours.

"Once you learn this," Sgt. Max Layne told the cadets while waist-deep in the pool, "you are capable of going across large bodies of water. This will keep you alive."

Ten at a time, groups of swimmers and nonswimmers practiced staying afloat in the shallow end of the pool using only their pants. Then they kicked across the water, into the deep end and back.

"You look like little ducks," Master Sgt. Larry Davidson joked as the students circled the pool in a line. "Say, 'Quack, quack.'"

They smiled. He stood on the side of the pool, his eyes on students who were nervous to be in 8 feet of water with this makeshift life vest. All the cadets made it.

As the last in a group made her way back to the shallow end of the pool, Sgt. Gregory Scott broke into song "Rollin', rollin', rollin' on the river! Have you ever been in 8 feet of water before? You have today. Good job."

Some 700 Army JROTC students from Virginia, Washington, D.C., Maryland, Delaware and West Virginia have gone through a similar experience this week. It's part of JROTC Camp Success, a yearly event at the Army post that has tens of thousands of summer vacation for mini-boot camp.

JROTC is a program that focuses on making better citizens of high school students across the United States.

The camp, which is funded mostly by the Army, started in 1989 at Fort Belvoir in Fairfax County with 150 kids. Today's students pay \$50 for the camp, which includes tickets to a nearby theme park.

Since June 20, cadets' days have started at 5 a.m., when the sun is still tucked away over the horizon. They exercise first thing.



THE FREE-LANCE STAR/AP

Jasmine Cheeks, a senior at Wilson High School in Washington, D.C., practices using a compass prior to a land navigation course during a week program at Fort A.P. Hill, in Caroline County, Va.

By 6:15, students are rotating through the mess hall for a breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes.

Cadets participate in two or three exercises a day. One is land navigation: Units go into the woods with a map and compass and must find their way as a team. Then there's the rapel tower, where cadets climb a 30-foot tower and come back down. They also get a Fun Day at Paramount's Kings Dominion.

The camp is designed to teach kids to face their fears and sometimes overcome them, to build confidence, work as a team and learn leadership, said the camp's commanding, retired Col. Joseph Nickens.

The camp brings teens from inner cities and from the hills of West Virginia and puts them together in barracks and on teams.

"They get as much from others as they get from the camp," Nickens said. "Some have never left their comfort zone."

Many come back to camp all three years they are eligible.

Turkey rejects Iraqi kidnappers' demands

Small-arms fire kills American on a C-130

BY TAREK EL-TABLAUWY

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Turkey rejected on Sunday the demands of Islamic militants who are threatening to behead three of its kidnapped citizens, and militants hit a coalition transport plane with small arms fire, killing an American passenger.

An Australian C-130 aircraft had just departed Baghdad International Airport when it was hit. It returned to the airport and landed safely, but one person wounded in the shooting died, said U.S. Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt.

Followers of al-Zarqawi said Saturday they had kidnapped three Turkish workers and threatened to behead them after 72 hours unless Turkish companies stop doing business with U.S. forces in Iraq. Turkey's defense minister said Ankara would not negotiate with the kidnappers.

Al-Jazeera aired a video issued by al-Zarqawi's "Tawhid and Jihad" organization, showing the three Turks kneeling on the ground in front of two black-clad gunmen and a black banner emblazoned with the name of al-Zarqawi's organization. The men held up Turkish passports.

A written statement said that if Turkey refused their demands the hostages "will receive the just punishment of being beheaded."

Insurgents launched a flurry of attacks in Baghdad and in northern Iraq, where two Iraqis were killed. A rocket attack against a U.S. camp on the capital's outskirts killed a U.S. soldier, and a series of explosions Sunday evening killed two Iraqis



A boy looks at a damaged vehicle in a driveway in Mosul, Iraq, on Sunday. Several homes were also damaged when mortars fired at Iraqi security forces went off their mark.

children playing along the east bank of the Tigris river, the Interior Ministry said.

Rockets also hit the Green Zone, the central Baghdad neighborhood used as the headquarters of the U.S. occupation, causing explosions but no casualties.

Iraq's interim prime minister, Iyad Alawi, said his government wanted to split the insurgency by dividing less ideological members from the hardcore leaders.

"We are drawing up plans to provide amnesty to Iraqis who supported the so-called resistance without committing crimes, while isolating the hardcore elements of terrorists and criminals and undercutting their base of support," Alawi wrote in an opinion article published Sunday in Britain's *The Independent* newspaper.

Alawi said Saturday that violence could force the delay of national elections, a key part of U.S. efforts to bring democracy to Iraq, scheduled to take place by Jan. 31 under Iraq's interim constitution.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the United States "remains committed" to the January timetable.

The U.S. military has posted a \$10 million reward for help in capturing or killing al-Zarqawi, who is blamed for numerous bombings in Iraq and whose movement beheaded two previous hostages, an American and a South Korean.

In northern Iraq on Sunday, attackers launched three mortar shells at the Mosul office of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, a pro-U.S. political party. One party member was killed and nine others were injured, including two civilians.

Report: Marine taken hostage

BY CHRIS TOMLINSON

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Arab television broadcast videotape Sunday of two men of Pakistani origin taken hostage by militants: a driver for an American company and a blindfolded man in military fatigues described as a U.S. Marine lured from his base. Insurgents threatened to behead them both.

The U.S. military could not immediately confirm that a Marine had been abducted, but the video shown on the Al-Jazeera network showed a card identifying the man by a Pakistani name and as an "active duty" Marine. The man had a trimmed mustache and his eyes were covered with a white blindfold.

Al-Jazeera said the militants demanded the release of all Iraqis "in occupation jails" or the man would be killed. The group claimed it infiltrated a Marine outpost, lured the man outside and abducted him.

The kidnappers identified themselves as part of "Islamic Resistance," the security wing of the "National Islamic Resistance — 1920 Revolution Brigades." The name refers to the uprising against the British after World War I.

The group, which has claimed responsibility for previous anti-American attacks, first surfaced in an Aug. 12 statement claiming the United States was hiding its casualty toll in Iraq to help President Bush's election chances.



President Bush, second right, meets Sunday with NATO Secretary General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer, right, and, from left, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of State Colin Powell and U.S. Ambassador to NATO Nicholas Burns in Istanbul, Turkey.

Rumsfeld: No immediate plan to send more U.S. servicemembers to Iraq

BY JANE WARDELL

The Associated Press

LONDON — Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Sunday that the United States has no immediate plans to send more troops to Iraq.

"The real task of security is not to flood a country with more troops and become a foreign occupier," Rumsfeld told the British Broadcasting Corp. "Breakfast with Frost" program from Istanbul,

where a NATO summit was being held on Monday.

Iraq has faced a spate of deadly bombings across the country in the days leading up to the transfer of power on June 30.

Rumsfeld said he had approved an investigation into the practicality of providing more troops, but "that does not mean we will need them, it means that we are doing the prudent planning to need them."

He noted that the number of troops had already increased over the past three to four months from 113,000 to 141,000.

"We don't want to be an occupying power," he said. "The Iraqi people are going to have to provide for the security of their country and they are well on the way to doing it."

Rumsfeld was confident that leaders at the upcoming NATO summit will come to an agreement on training for Iraqi security forces.

"We anticipate that at this sum-

"The real task of security is not to flood a country with more troops and become a foreign occupier."

Donald Rumsfeld
Defense Secretary

mit, the heads of state will end up agreeing that NATO will in fact have a role in training and equipping the Iraqi security forces, which is a very good thing if that happens.

In a wide-ranging interview, Rumsfeld said the war against terror will be a long hard slog and it is difficult to tell which side is winning.

"On the other hand we don't have a good visibility into how many new recruits are coming in and learning how to go out and kill people and being encouraged and equipped and trained and deployed to do those suicide missions," he said.

"We don't know that and unless one knows that, you can't answer the question, are you winning or losing."

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U.S. parliament to investigate kidnapping

Government criticized over handling of case

By HANS GREIMEL
The Associated Press

SEOUL — Parliamentary leaders said Sunday they will launch a probe into the government's handling of the kidnapping case of a South Korean who was beheaded by Islamic militants in Iraq.

The announcement came amid media reports that the Board of Audit and Inspection, which is conducting a separate investigation, planned to send a team this week to interview South Korean officials in Iraq and the hostage's employer.

President Roh Moo-hyun ordered the board to investigate circumstances surrounding the kidnapping and killing of interpreter Kim Sun-il amid concerns that the government could have done more to secure his release.

In separate statements, the ruling Uri Party and opposition Grand National Party said they'd conduct their own probe.

"We should use this chance to overhaul and reform the government's diplomatic and national security system to ensure the safety of the people," Shin Ki-nam, chairman of the ruling Uri Party, said in a statement carried on the party's Web site.

A team of 20 lawmakers from the country's four major political parties will assemble Tuesday and begin operations the following day after the National Assembly passes a motion ratifying the probe, the parties said.

The probe is expected to investigate the Foreign Ministry, Defense Ministry, National Intelligence Service and National Security Council.

The National Assembly often launches investigations into politically sensitive issues. Although the assembly doesn't have



During a nightly vigil, a mourner holds a candle for Kim Sun-il, the South Korean national killed by Iraqi militants, near the U.S. Embassy in downtown Seoul on Sunday.

the power to prosecute, the government and prosecutors are expected to act on its findings.

Kim, a 33-year-old worker at a company supplying the U.S. military, was killed by militants in Iraq on Tuesday after South Korea refused to bow to their demand that it cancel plans to deploy 3,000 troops to Iraq beginning in August.

Televized images of Kim in captivity and his grieving stunned South Korea, triggering criticism of the government's handling of the case and intensifying debate

over South Korea's decision to send troops to assist the U.S.-led coalition. More than 600 South Korean troops are already deployed in Iraq.

On Sunday, the North's official KCNA news agency quoted an unnamed state official as saying similar abductions and slayings would occur in Iraq if South Korea follows through with its troop deployment.

The North Korean dispatch held "the U.S. entirely to blame for the recent incident as it has pursued an anachronistic policy of aggression against Iraq and forced South Korea to send troops to Iraq."

South Korea urges citizens to leave Iraq

SEOUL — South Korea urged its citizens on Sunday to leave Iraq and Saudi Arabia, citing expected instability in Iraq ahead of the transfer of sovereignty from the U.S. occupation authority there.

With the handover coming Wednesday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Shin Bong-kil said his government could not ensure the safety of citizens remaining in Iraq, according to South Korea's Yonhap news agency.

He also urged South Koreans to leave Saudi Arabia, Yonhap said.

Shin said fresh unrest was expected in the run-up to the transfer of power from the United States to an interim Iraqi government and that it was dangerous for South Koreans to be in the region, Yonhap reported.

The announcement comes just days after militants beheaded a South Korean in Iraq and on the heels of news that militants there have since kidnapped three Turkish men and a Pakistani, making similar death threats. Earlier this month, an American businessman was abducted and beheaded in Saudi Arabia.

After the South Korean kidnapping, the government in Seoul ordered all nonessential civilians to leave Iraq. But as of Saturday night, 51 South Koreans still remained, Yonhap reported.

Shin also asked South Korean media outlets to withdraw their reporters, Yonhap said. Of the 15 local journalists in Iraq, 11 had informed Seoul they will soon leave the Middle East nation, the report said.

Ex-terrorism czar: Iraq invasion huge mistake

By MIKE SCHNEIDER
The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — The invasion of Iraq was an "enormous mistake" and is costing thousands of lives, strengthening al-Qaida and breeding a new generation of terrorists, former White House counterterrorism czar Richard Clarke said Saturday.

"We did exactly what al-Qaida said we would do: we invaded and occupy an oil-rich Arab country that wasn't threatening us in any way," Clarke said before giving the keynote address at the American Library Association's annual convention in Orlando. "The hatred that has been engendered by this invasion will last for generations."

Clarke, a counterterrorism adviser to the past three presidents, wrote the book "Against All Enemies," which criticizes the Bush administration for making Iraq a top priority and for underestimating warnings about al-Qaida before the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Clarke said the United States will lose the war on terrorism if it loses the battle of ideas against extremists in the Middle East.

"We won the Cold War by, yes, having good strong military forces, but also by competing in the battle of ideas against the communists," Clarke later told the librarians. "We have to do that with the jihadists."

The United States' ideological credibility has been undermined by revelations of the mistreatment of Iraqi prisoners at the Abu Ghraib prison and the release of documents that showed U.S. government attorneys conducted a legal analysis of what constituted torture, Clarke said.

Clarke took issue with some elements of filmmaker Michael Moore's new documentary, "Fahrenheit 9/11," which depicts how the Bush administration allowed Saudi nationals and members of Osama bin Laden's family to leave the United States days after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Clarke said he thought the Saudi government was "perfectly justified" in wanting its citizens to leave the United States out of fears of "vigilantism" by Americans.

Making the incident a big part of the movie was a mistake, said Clarke, who added that he agrees with many things Moore stands for.

Iraq's incoming government must follow U.S. laws put in place before handover

By JIM KRANE
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — The U.S. led-coalition, facing a Wednesday deadline to hand back power, has put in place major legal revisions that would force Iraqis to get drivers' licenses, obey traffic laws, ban certain people from holding office and place American contractors above the law.

Mahmoud Othman, a Kurdish politician and member of the disbanded U.S.-picked Governing Council, said he thinks the Americans began pushing the flurry of laws once it became clear the occupation would be cut short. Washington's earlier plans, he said, called for a longer occupation that would have allowed Iraq's constitution to be written under U.S. watch.

Proponents say the sheaf of edicts signed by occupation chief L. Paul Bremer are the best way to ensure one of the top U.S. goals in invading Iraq: to leave behind a functioning democracy with a base of liberal institutions such as an independent judiciary, civil society and free market economy.

But critics say the Coalition Provisional Authority's new laws amounts to meddling in

Iraq's basic institutions, something that international law places out of bounds for an occupying power.

Especially irksome for Iraqi leaders is the fact that the occupation edicts remain in force after the occupation ends — including laws that curtail the powers of the incoming government.

"We would prefer that Iraqis decide on their own laws," Othman said. "This isn't the way to run a country that isn't your country."

As Iraq's highest authority, Bremer has issued more than 100 orders and regulations, many of them Western-style laws governing everything from bankruptcy and traffic, to restrictions on child labor and copying movies.

Some are likely to be ignored. One law requires at least a month in jail for people caught driving without a license, something many Iraqis do not have. Another demands that drivers stay in a single lane, a rule widely ignored in Iraq's chaotic streets.

Others are more controversial. On Saturday, Bremer signed an edict that gives U.S. and other Western civilian contractors immunity from Iraqi

law while performing their jobs in Iraq. The idea outrages many Iraqis, including Othman, who said the law allows foreigners to act with impunity even after the occupation.

"If they know they have full immunity, they will do anything they want because they know no one can do anything about it," Othman said. The law states that contractors can still be prosecuted under the laws of their home country.

A Bremer elections law restricts certain candidates from running for office, banning parties not linked to militias, for instance.

The CPA's laws remain in effect after the occupation ends unless rescinded or revised by the interim government, a task that another Bremer-signed law allows, but only after a difficult process.

"What we are doing is really unprecedented," Scott Castle, an Army Reserve brigadier general who resigned or revised by the interim government, a task that another Bremer-signed law allows, but only after a difficult process.

"The CPA and its legal advisers did not respond to requests for interviews."

Alawi must balance many feuding factions

BY HANNAH ALLAM
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD — Earlier this month, a letter from Iraq's top Shiite Muslim cleric arrived at the offices of Iraq's new prime minister, advising him that as he takes charge of the country he should remember the Islamic concept of amana — guarding other people's precious property with one's life.

It was Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini, al-Sistani's tacit endorsement of the interim leadership of Prime Minister Iyad Allawi and his fledgling Cabinet, and it was greeted with relief. Three other cabinet members during the American occupation, al-Sistani's objections short-circuited American plans for governing Iraq.

But the letter also was a reminder that Iraq belongs to many. While officially Allawi and his government of opposition leaders and technocrats will be in charge Thursday, much of the real power will lie outside the interim government.

The most powerful player remains the U.S.-led coalition, re-named the Multinational Forces, whose role is still being determined. Muslim clerics, deeply ingrained and U.S.-backed Kurdish political parties all will play a role in determining Iraq's future.

To fulfill his Islamic responsibility under amana, as well as his secular duty as the latest ruler of a diverse and war-weary nation, Allawi must delicately deal with all the players. If he does so skillfully, Iraq may yet evolve into something of a democratic model in the Middle East. If he fails, Iraq could spin into civil war and breed more terrorism and instability.

"Iyad Allawi and his group want Iraqi independence and they want to succeed in this political process by working with the Americans," said Ayad Sarraji, the deputy secretary-general of the Iraqi Islamic Party, an influential Sunni Muslim group. "The other groups want the same thing, but they don't want the Americans and won't work with them. But the goal for independence is the same."

Serving so many masters could leave Allawi's new government hamstrung. Each faction brings a different vision of what sovereign Iraq should look like, and so far none of them squares with the Bush administration's plans for a secular, American-friendly model of Middle Eastern democracy.

These are the factions Allawi must deal with as he

takes the helm:

■ **The Shiites:** Iraq's Shiite majority was badly fractured during an uprising that pitted al-Sistani against rebel cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. With that fighting now largely over, the Shiites are trying to bring together rival groups, build a voting bloc and sweep elections late next year.

Many Shiite parties have demanded an Islamic-based constitution and other measures that hint of a theocracy in the vein of neighboring Iran.

Sistani, elderly and reclusive, is still considered the most influential cleric, and many consider his religious edicts law. The Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the dominant Shiite political party, enjoys Sistani's support and has key positions in Allawi's government.

■ **The Kurds:** Iraqi politicians privy to the talks that resulted in the new government said the country's powerful Kurdish parties, the most consistently pro-American groups in Iraq, wanted either the presidency or the prime minister post. They got neither.

Kurds, brutally oppressed under Saddam Hussein, fought alongside U.S. troops during the war and seek recognition for the sacrifices of their peshmarga militias.

Vice President Roshw Shawayi, a German-educated engineer and former prime minister of the semi-autonomous Kurdistan region, is expected to quell ethnic tension as well as ensure that Kurdish rights are protected in the next phase of government.

■ **The insurgents and terrorists:** The key measure of Allawi's success will be in how he handles the deteriorating security conditions in Iraq.

Enemy No. 1 is Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the Jordanian-born terrorist who claims responsibility for most of Iraq's large-scale bombings, attacks on U.S.-appointed Iraqi leaders and the gruesome slayings of U.S. troops. On Wednesday, al-Zarqawi turned his attention to Allawi, calling for the prime minister's head in a taped death threat broadcast throughout the Arab world on satellite television.

■ **President Bush and the United States:** Tens of thousands of U.S. troops will remain in Iraq long after June 30 and probably even after elections scheduled for the end of 2005.

To establish his credibility, Allawi will have to separate himself somehow from the Americans and that will almost certainly mean confronting them at some point on some issue — most likely the conduct of military operations in the country.

Iraq's new leaders

Key figures in Iraq's new government, and offices they will take July 1:

Inside the new government

Prime Minister Iyad Allawi



Highest ranking Iraqi official; Shiite Muslim, former member of Iraqi Governing Council; backed by Bush administration; has worked with CIA

President Ghazi al-Yawer



Largely ceremonial position; Sunni Muslim tribal chief; expected to woo Iraq's tribes, negotiate with insurgents

Defense Minister Haseem Sharaf



Responsible for turning Iraq's security forces into terrorism-fighters, building partnership with U.S. military commanders

Interior Minister Fakh al-Abbas



U.S.-trained civil engineer; will oversee intelligence gathering, Iraqi police force

Vice President Roshw Shawayi



Highest ranking Kurd; former prime minister of semi-autonomous Kurdistan region in northern Iraq

Finance Minister Abdul-Muhsin



Economist; top-ranking member of Supreme Council for Islamic Revolution in Iraq; the country's most influential Shiite group

Outside the new government

U.S. Ambassador John D. Negroponte



Will oversee new U.S. Embassy in Baghdad; expected to exert influence on Iraqi leaders

Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Husseini al-Sistani



Highest-ranking Shiite cleric in Iraq, with millions of followers; undermined former Governing Council

Muqtada al-Sadr



Radical Shiite cleric who led anti-American uprising

Abu Musab al-Zarqawi



Jordanian-born terrorist; one of the most wanted men in Iraq; vowed to derail reconstruction; threatened Allawi's life

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Sovereignty schedule

The handover of sovereignty to the government of Prime Minister Iyad Allawi begins a process that is to result in general elections by the end of next year. These are the key steps scheduled to take place.

Now: A preparatory committee is issuing invitations to 1,000 Iraqis who will represent a cross-section of Iraq's social, political, eth-

nic and religious groups at a national convention. The convention will select an interim national assembly.

The assembly is to be made up of 100 people, 20 of whom will be former members of the Iraqi Governing Council, the U.S.-appointed body that served during much of the American occupation.

Early January 2005: National elections, to be supervised by the interim national assembly, are to be held to select a parliament.

Members of the parliament will oversee the drafting of a constitution, which must go to a national referendum. After the parliament is elected, the interim national assembly will be dissolved.

Late 2005: Once the constitution sets forth election law and a census has been conducted, Iraqis will cast their ballots in general elections, selecting a new government.

— Knight Ridder

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Transition of power to be a low-key affair

BY HANNAH ALLAM
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD — If Iraq had turned out to be the peaceful nation longing for democracy that the U.S.-led coalition envisioned when it took over the country, the return of sovereignty to Iraqis this week would probably involve a huge gala headed by a triumphant President Bush.

Instead, occupation authorities are working with the incoming Iraqi government on top-secret plans for a series of subdued ceremonies closed to the public, with severe media restrictions and an arsenal of weapons close at hand.

A surprise visit from Bush, who will be in neighboring Turkey just ahead of the June 30 handover date, would do little but complicate security logistics and further link the president to the failure of his forces to provide stability 15 months after the ouster of Saddam Hussein.

"You're not going to see a big Western presence. We're not going to be out there thumbing this," said a senior U.S. military official involved in the planning.

"There will be no western ceremonies, parades or musical flag-raising. It's their day."

What will be a happy occasion is a security nightmare, as terrorists use assassination threats and the U.S. military prepares for the large-scale car bombings and other violence they expect will disrupt festivities.

L. Paul Bremer, the top civilian administrator for Iraq, will leave the country immediately after ceding authority. Administrators made a strategic decision to delay the arrival of John D. Negroponte, the new U.S. ambassador to Iraq, until after the handover to avoid the appearance that he is simply Bremer's replacement.

Ordinary Iraqis can watch the ceremonies live on television, provided electricity is working in their power-starved neighborhoods.

But there are still no details on where or when the events will take place. Iraqis inside the new leadership, meanwhile, are bracing for attacks and more criticism that they are simply a proxy government for their former occupiers.

GIs cautiously optimistic for Iraq handover

BY CHRIS TOMLINSON
The Associated Press

CAMP VICTORY, Iraq — Donald Nuss was barely out of infantry training when he helped capture Baghdad and begin the occupation of Iraq last year. Fifteen months later, as a trooper with the 1st Cavalry Division, he's out patrolling the streets again as sovereignty returns to an Iraqi government.

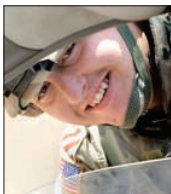
He has witnessed the ups and downs of America's foray into Iraq, and he's sure they aren't over yet.

"We're not sure what's going to happen. We can't guarantee it will go well or that it will go sour," Nuss, of Brookings, Ore., said of Wednesday's return of power to the interim Iraqi government. "Is this whole insurgent/counterinsurgent action going to start all over again, or is it going to be a slow rebuilding process?"

Nuss, now a specialist assigned to Company A, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment, doesn't have the answer, but he is sure of one thing: "It's not going to take a short period of time. It's going to take years."

At the age of 20 years and one month, Nuss has more time in combat than any other soldier in his company. He was assigned to the 3rd Infantry Division a day before last year's war began. His old unit, Company A, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, helped capture downtown Baghdad, a moment Nuss considers his proudest in Iraq.

The Iraqis "were very happy to see us. They gave us hugs, want-



U.S. Army Spec. Donald Nuss, of Brookings, Ore., greets a driver at a roadblock in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad last week.

ed to cook us dinner, all kinds of stuff," Nuss said of the weeks following the war.

But things are different these days. "Ain't nobody says hi or waves anymore," he said.

The soldiers have changed, too. Before the war, they spoke eagerly of weapons of mass destruction, terrorism and the need to capture or kill Saddam Hussein. The mood now is more subdued.

In these hot days of summer, the urgency of combat has been replaced by the routine of peacekeeping. But most soldiers still believe in their mission.

"We are definitely doing good over here," Nuss said, echoing a sentiment heard frequently from American troops. "We can't just pull out immediately; that wouldn't be the right thing to do."

... We at least have to leave them with the infrastructure they start-



U.S. Army Capt. Paul McBride, of San Diego, orders an Iraqi cab driver to stop blocking traffic near a hospital in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad last week. McBride, a civil affairs officer, works with Iraqi community leaders to develop city councils.

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While Nuss searches for insurgents in the Abu Ghraib district, Capt. Paul McBride of the 425th Civil Affairs Battalion is helping Iraqis in the same area rebuild their country and create a democracy.

Sitting through the equivalent of weekly city council meetings, the Army reservist from San Diego works with elected Iraqi leaders on schools, public works and industrial development.

He said that in the last few weeks the meetings have changed from demanding weapons, air conditioners or cars from U.S. forces to progress reports from subcommittees on community improvements.

"They are beginning to understand it's their country. I don't know that they've understood that we've been trying to prepare them for that," McBride said, explaining that many Iraqis never believed the United States really

would hand power back.

McBride said he has received plenty of hints there will be trouble from insurgents who don't want the new Iraqi government to succeed. At the council meeting last week, the chairman warned of "bad people" preparing to riot, loot and attack American troops in the coming days.

"I want to say it's a hopeful time, but it's one that is also very dangerous," McBride said of the Iraqis he works with at the councils.

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Iraq forces to train in and out of country

BY PAUL AMES

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — NATO's mission to train Iraq's armed forces will involve alliance instructors working both inside and outside the country in a sign of united support for the incoming Iraqi government, NATO Secretary-General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer said Sunday.

However, de Hoop Scheffer said it was too early to say how many NATO military personnel would be going to Iraq or when they would be deployed.

Several NATO members, particularly Germany, have been reluctant to have re-

fused to send military personnel to Iraq, preferring to conduct training outside the country.

U.S. Ambassador Nicholas Burns suggested the training mission could be a first step to still-wider NATO involvement in Iraq. "We should continue to consider other ways that NATO can be helpful in Iraq, beyond training," he said.

More details of the NATO mission were expected to be announced Monday when President Bush and the other 25 alliance leaders were to give formal approval for the training operation at a summit in Istanbul.

The summit also is scheduled to expand

NATO's peacekeeping mission in Afghanistan.

NATO diplomats working late into the night Friday in Brussels agreed to a request from Iraq's interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi for aid in rebuilding Iraq's armed forces ahead of the United States hands sovereignty to his government on Wednesday. The decision was "a clear signal of our willingness to enhance our support for a sovereign Iraqi government," said de Hoop Scheffer.

The United States is urging a major NATO involvement on the ground in Iraq including the setting up of an alliance command in the country. France and Germany

are seeking a lower-key operation, with NATO playing a coordinating role for national training programs.

Germany says it won't be sending any military personnel to Iraq, looking instead to extend its existing training program for Iraqi police officers outside the country.

Washington's ambassador said NATO nations should be prepared for a major, long-term operation in Iraq.

"This is going to be a huge undertaking," Burns told a conference ahead of the summit. "It's a job that will require the concerted and collective support of all our allies... this has to be something that NATO commits to for the long term."

Bush seeks to bolster Turkey ties

BY DEB RIECHMANN

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — President Bush sought on Sunday to bolster America's partnership with Turkey, a courtship complicated by terrorists' threats to decapitate three Turkish hostages unless the country's companies stop aiding U.S. forces in Iraq.

Bush hoped to use a NATO summit here to nail down details of the alliance's tentative plan to assist with the training of Iraqi security forces.

Asked whether he thought the kidnapping in Iraq of three Turkish hostages had cast a pall on the meeting, Bush replied, "No."

Bush said he hoped the 26-member NATO alliance, which is grounded in Cold War geopolitics, can adjust to meet modern-day threats.

"We're going to work together to help make sure NATO is configured militarily to meet the threats of the 21st century," Bush said.

That is a challenge, NATO Secretary-General Jaap de Hoop Scheffer said, "but NATO is worth it."

NATO is committed to fighting terrorism, he said. "There are fights everywhere — be it here in this city, be it in New York, Uzbekistan, Mombassa, Yemen — you name it," de Hoop Scheffer said. "This alliance has to participate in fighting it first and winning it."

Bush also met briefly with six Turkish religious leaders, part of his effort to show how Muslim countries can be democratic and have tolerance for other faiths.

They represent the very best of Turkey, which is a country that is secular in its politics and strong in its faith," Bush said about the leaders, who posed for pictures with the president, Secretary of State Colin Powell, National Security adviser Condoleezza Rice and Andy Card, White House chief of staff.

Bush also held up Turkey as a model for the Middle East as he met earlier in the day in Ankara with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

"I appreciate so very much the



Members of Turkey's Communist Party chant slogans in Istanbul on Sunday during a protest just hours before President Bush arrived in the city.

40,000 protest NATO summit in Istanbul

BY JAMES C. HELICKE

The Associated Press

ISTANBUL, Turkey — More than 40,000 demonstrators, some chanting "USA get out of the Middle East!," gathered Sunday in a square to protest the visit of President Bush and an upcoming NATO summit.

Bush is unpopular in Turkey, where the overwhelming majority of the public opposed the Iraq war.

The protest in the Kadikoy district, on the Asian side of Istanbul, attracted more than 40,000 people, mostly members of leftist groups, police said. There were some 100 foreign protesters from Greece, Britain, The Netherlands, Portugal and Syria.

Turkey dramatically boosted security before Bush's arrival and in preparation for the NATO summit, which was to begin Monday.

F-16 warplanes patrolled the skies above Istanbul on Sunday. NATO early-warning planes will help monitor a no-fly zone over the city. More than 23,000 police will be on duty during the summit. Turkish commandos are patrolling the Bosphorus in rubber boats with mounted machine guns.

example your country has set on how to be a Muslim country and at the same time a country which embraces democracy and rule of law and freedom," Bush said. Bush's first trip to Turkey followed the capture in Iraq of three Turkish workers by supporters of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian-born terrorist believed to have ties to al-Qaida.

Aboard Air Force One flying to Istanbul, White House press secretary Sean McCormack said: "We're in close contact with the Turkish government on the issue."

After Bush's third meeting of

Bush, British Prime Minister Tony Blair, French President Jacques Chirac and others met with Turkish leaders in Ankara on Sunday morning and flew to Istanbul in the early afternoon.

At the protest, demonstrators chanted "Istanbul will be a grave for NATO." Banners read, "Down with American Imperialism," and "Go away Bush!"

In Ankara on Saturday, Turkish police fired tear gas at stone-throwing demonstrators, hours before Bush arrived in the country. Police said 13 officers were injured, the Anadolu news agency reported. On Sunday, police rounded up some 15 demonstrators in downtown Ankara, saying the group was planning to stage a firebombing in the city.

Bush's arrival was preceded by a series of protests and bomb blasts, including one Thursday that injured three people outside the Ankara hotel where Bush is expected to stay. Another blast that same day on an Istanbul bus killed four people and injured 15.

Militant Kurdish, Islamic and leftist groups are active in the country. Security in Istanbul has been of special concern since November, when four suicide truck bombings blamed on al-Qaida killed more than 60 people.

the year with Erdogan, he sat down with Turkish President Ahmet Necdet Sezer. In between those sessions, he visited Ataturk's Mausoleum, a national shrine honoring the father of the modern Turkish Republic.

Associated Press Writer Louis Meixler in Turkey contributed to this report.

Gunmen kill at least 10 registered voters in Afghan province

BY NOOR KHAN

The Associated Press

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — Taliban fighters killed up to 16 men after learning they had registered for Afghanistan's national elections, the deadliest attack yet in a campaign aimed at subverting the nation's first free vote, officials said Sunday.

The assault raised security fears and added to doubts over whether Afghanistan is ready to hold elections as planned in September. It also increased pressure on NATO leaders meeting Monday in Turkey to deploy more peacekeepers here.

The killings took place Friday on a road in southern Uruzgan province and various reports put the number of dead at 10 or 16.

News of the deaths emerged a day after a bomb ripped through a bus carrying female election workers in the eastern city of Jalalabad, killing two of them and wounding 13.

According to electoral law, the polling date must be announced 90 days beforehand — meaning by July 2, if polling takes place on the last day of September.

The Uruzgan attack underscored the risks faced by Afghans if they want to exercise democratic rights, particularly in lawless areas of the country plagued by Taliban-led insurgents who have threatened more attacks against election workers and voters.

Rozi Khan, the Uruzgan police chief, said assailants stopped a van carrying 12 men on a road about 18 miles from the provincial capital, Tirm Kot.

When the gunmen searched their documents and found that they had registered to vote, they opened fire. Two men escaped and alerted police, who found the 10 bodies but have made no arrests.

Obaidullah Khan, the top political administrator of the victims' home district of Uruzgan, confirmed the attack but said 16 people had died, and only one man had survived.

It was impossible to immediately account for the discrepancy.

Obaidullah Khan said six or seven attackers had launched the assault, while others hid in rocks nearby.

IN THE STATES

Greens choose Texas attorney over Nader

BY JR ROSS

The Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — The Green Party nominated Texas attorney David Cobb as its candidate for president Saturday, rejecting Ralph Nader's efforts to secure the party's formal endorsement and likely access to the ballot in the key states like Wisconsin and California.

Nader, the party's candidate in 1996 and 2000, had told Green officials months ago he would not accept the party's nomination for president, preferring to build a coalition of third-party groups and independents rather than running under one banner.

Still, he openly courted their formal endorsement as a means to get on the ballot in the 22 states and Washington, D.C., where the party has a ballot line.

But 408 delegates voted for Cobb on the second ballot to give him the nomination.

In Oregon, meanwhile, Nader made another bid Saturday to get 1,000 people together at a Portland high school to sign a petition to get him on the November ballot as an independent. A similar attempt in April drew 751 people.

State Elections Director John Lindback said Nader supporters turned in 950 petition sheets, most of them with a single signature, although some of the sheets contained several signatures.

It was not clear how many total signatures there were, but Lindback said, "Their margin is extremely thin." He said it would take a few days for local election officials to tally the signatures and verify whether they were from registered voters.

"It does not matter, we'll get on the ballot," Nader said Saturday night, noting that under Oregon law he also can qualify by mounting a more traditional signature gathering drive later this summer.

Nader's supporters at the Green Party convention argued that an endorsement for him was the only real option for Greens if they hoped to maintain their national profile and play a role in the presidential race.

But Cobb has touted himself as a homegrown Green who would work to build the party from the ground up, while Nader has maintained he is not a member of the party and does not plan to join.

Cobb went out of his way to praise Nader in accepting the nomination but later said the vote was a sign the Green Party "has gotten out from under the shadow of a man who has probably cast a larger shadow than any other living American."

The party's endorsement would not have guaranteed Nader the Green Party's ballot lines. Rather, it would have given state chapter officials the option of presenting Nader as the candidate of their choice for president to state election officials. Still,

that prospect was much less daunting than other means for getting on the ballot.

In California, for example, Nader will have to gather more than 150,000 signatures to get on the ballot as an independent.

Nader tapped longtime Green activist Peter Camejo as his running mate last week, a step his supporters hoped would bolster his chances of winning the party's endorsement.

Many Democrats still blame Nader for President Bush's victory four years ago and fear he could still siphon off enough votes to hand the Republican a second term.

Nader recently was polling about 6 percent nationally, according to an Associated Press poll conducted by Ipsos-Public Affairs.

Nader spokesman Kevin Zeese said the consumer activist knew he faced an uphill battle for the party's endorsement by electing in December not to participate in the primary process and not sending representatives to the party convention until last week.

He said Nader would now turn his attention to his drive to get on the ballot by other means in states where Greens have access.

Nader already has the backing of the Reform Party, which has ballot access in seven states, but he has yet to be placed on any state ballots.



The Green Party nominated Texas attorney David Cobb as its candidate for president Saturday, rejecting Ralph Nader's efforts to secure the party's formal endorsement.



Community activist Shaka Satori, right, speaks to reporters outside the 77th Street Area Los Angeles Police station in Los Angeles on Friday. Community activists gathered outside the station Friday to protest the flashlight beating of a man by an LAPD officer.

LAPD chief to review policy of using flashlight as weapon

BY MASON STOCKSTILL

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Police Chief William Bratton says he will review the department's policy on using flashlights as weapons after a Los Angeles police officer repeatedly struck a black man in a beating that has inflamed tensions in the city.

Last week's beating of a suspected car thief — which was caught on videotape — has drawn comparisons to the 1991 beating of motorist Rodney King.

On Saturday, Bratton met with black clergy and community leaders to assure them that the investigation would be complete and open.

"We must get at the truth," said John Mack, president of the Urban League of Los Angeles.

Three officers involved in Stanley Miller's beating will be investigated to determine whether they used excessive force. Eight officers have been placed on desk duty.

Los Angeles police allow the use of flashlights to deliver "distraction strikes" if someone is resisting arrest.

"I'm going to review that practice that authorization," said Bratton, former head of the New York Police Department. "Back East, we did not have similar authorization."

Bratton said he will review videotaped witness statements and look into the backgrounds of the officers involved.

The police chief declined to comment, however, on a report in the Los Angeles Times that Officer John J. Hatfield told investigators he struck Miller with a flashlight

because another officer warned the suspect had a gun.

The object was later revealed to be a pair of wire cutters, the newspaper reported, citing anonymous sources.

Miller's defense lawyer, Mark Werksman, was unsure whether his client had wire cutters but said the beating was unjustified.

"It's preposterous for the police to assert now that one of them saw a gun, and that justified hitting Mr. Miller 11 times with a flashlight when he was already pinned on the ground and being handcuffed," Werksman said.

The Los Angeles chapter of the NAACP also condemned the beating as "an ugly case of police brutality."

Prosecutors have declined to file charges against Miller, 36, in the alleged car theft, although he remains jailed on a parole violation.

CIA suspending harsh interrogation tactics

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The CIA has suspended use of some White House-approved aggressive interrogation tactics employed to extract information from reluctant al-Qaida prisoners, The Washington Post said.

Citing unnamed intelligence officials, the newspaper reported in Sunday's editions that what the CIA calls "enhanced interrogation techniques" were put on hold pending a review by Justice Department and other lawyers.

The techniques include such things as feigned drowning and refusal of pain medication for injuries.

The decision applies to CIA facil-

ities around the world, but not to military prisons at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and elsewhere, the Post said. CIA spokesmen declined to comment on the issue, it said.

It said CIA interrogations will continue, but without the suspended techniques, which also include feigning suffocation, "stress positions," light and noise bombardment, sleep deprivation, and making captives think they are being interrogated by another government.

The newspaper said the interrogation methods were approved by Justice Department and National Security Council lawyers in 2002, outlined to congressional leaders and required the authorization of CIA Director George J. Tenet.

FBI investigating Boston man's link to terrorist cell

The Associated Press

BOSTON — The FBI is investigating whether a Lebanese man who says he attended an al-Qaida training camp and was charged with lying to authorities about contents of field radios and walkie-talkies to Afghanistan was part of an al-Qaida "sleeping cell" in the Boston area, a spokeswoman said.

Mohamad Kamal Elzahrani was charged Friday in federal court in Minnesota with two counts of making false statements to federal investigators.

Gail Marcinkiewicz, a spokeswoman for the FBI in Boston, confirmed the bureau is investigating whether he belonged to a terrorist cell.

Neither of Elzahrani's charges was related to terrorism, but the complaint said that in the 1980s and 1990s, Elzahrani met several people who became top al-Qaida leaders. They include Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian believed to be directing attacks against U.S. forces in Iraq, and Abu Zubaydah, a senior al-Qaida associate who appeared to have been an organizer of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

'Fatties' can be fit, too

Medical world debates risk of being a little on the pudgy side

By DANIEL Q. HANEY

The Associated Press

Riding to the mall one Saturday morning, Ikeda's younger sister turned to her and asked, out of nowhere, "Do you know that I am now overweight?"

From heart-sinking personal experience, millions upon millions of people can imagine exactly what led up to that admission. She had stepped on the scales and noticed a number a little north of usual. So she looked it up on a body mass index chart. And — No! — she was officially too heavy.

Not obese, not even close. But her BMI was 26, a full, leaden point above the carved-in-stone cutoff for being overweight.

There is little doubt among mainstream health professionals that being truly obese is a health hazard. But what about the borderline plump? The mildly pudgy? All those people with BMIs between 25 and 29, who according to the charts are overweight? Government health agencies often lump all degrees of overweight together, noting for instance that over 60 percent of Americans are too heavy. But more than half of these people are roughly one-third of all Americans and 800 million people worldwide — are overweight but not obese.

Many are like Ikeda's sister, Irene Pakel: 55 years old, 5-foot-3, weight in the mid-140s, maybe 10 pounds or so into the overweight category. Does she have a weight problem, one that might even shorten her life? To many in the field, the answer is clear.

"Over 99 percent of experts throughout the world are convinced by overwhelming data that being overweight is a huge problem indeed for the majority of the world," says Dr. Philip

James, chairman of the International Obesity Task Force in London.

But as co-director of the Center for Weight and Health at the University of California at Berkeley, Ikeda has a professional, though somewhat contrary, opinion: Not likely.

"She's very physically fit," says Ikeda. "She goes to Curves every day after work. To look at her, you would say, 'Here is someone who is not even slightly chubby.'"

Ikeda has a weight problem of her own. Her BMI is 33, which

makes her officially obese. Does that bother her? "Not really," she said. "What matters is my metabolic fitness."

Some in the world of diet and health — and as James says, they are a minority — feel too much is made of the lower end of the BMI scale, that perhaps even the entire category called overweight causes much anxiety for nothing.

"This is so ludicrous," says Ikeda. "Why are we doing this to ourselves? I think it has a lot to do with the dieting and pharmaceutical industry and the pressure to medicate every condition."

"A completely phony category" is what University of Colorado attorney Paul Campos calls overweight. He is author of "The Obesity Myth" and argues that the real health problem is too little exercise, not too much weight.

"There is no basis in the medical literature to draw the conclusion that having a BMI between 25 and 29 is an independent health risk," he says. "It is quite preposterous to make that claim."

Such out-of-step pronouncements are fighting words in the field of nutrition and health, where many consider the evils of fat to be beyond question.

Former New England Journal of Medicine Editor Jerome Kassirer remembers the indignation six years ago when he wrote a skeptical editorial calling the data linking weight and ill health "limited, fragmentary and often ambiguous."

"We got flack from just about everybody except the fatties," he remembers, although he hasn't seen anything since to change his mind.

One of the most persistent doubters is Steven Blair of the Cooper Aerobics Center in Dallas. His research buttresses the idea that fitness is more important than fatness.



Steven Blair at the Cooper Aerobics Center in Dallas describes himself as "a short fat guy" and says his research at the center shows fitness is more important than fatness.



AP photos

Professor Joanne Ikeda, right, and her sister Irene Pakel stop along a popular jogging and biking trail in Oakland, Calif., in early June. Ikeda is co-director of the Center for Weight and Health at the University of California, Berkeley.

Following 25,000 Cooper patients for eight years, he found that it is better to be fit and fat than skinny and sedentary. In fact, overweight people who have good stamina on a treadmill test live just as long as equally fit people who are not overweight.

"If you look at people in the overweight category, many have none of the conventional risk factors, like elevated blood pressure and cholesterol," says Blair. "Should they be stigmatized and treated? For what?"

Many obesity experts concede Blair has a point: People who are overweight but fit probably do escape many of the consequences of their size. But they often add: So what?

"It may be true, but the fact is, overweight people are not fit," says Dr. Xavier Pi-Sunyer, head of obesity research at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City. "The average American is incredibly sedentary."

Not always, says Blair. About half of the oversize people who get physical exams at Cooper in fact are physically fit, based on their treadmill tests. While hardly a random sample — these people are overwhelmingly white, ed-

ucted and well off — Blair contends plenty of overweight Americans are just like him.

"I'm a short fat guy," says Blair, whose BMI is about 32. "Would I rather be a short thin guy? Sure. But I'm not. I run every day and eat a healthy diet and do what I can."

Until a few years ago, government agencies generally agreed that concern about weight begins when a man's BMI hits 28 and a woman's 27. That's 152 pounds for a 5-foot-3 female. But in 1997, the World Health Organization adopted a new standard. BMIs between 25 and 29.9 were now "pre-obese."

The next year, an expert committee of the U.S. National Institutes of Health came to the same conclusion and called the new category "overweight." Suddenly an extra 35 million Americans were judged to have weight problems.

"We felt it makes sense that if someone's BMI is between 25 and 30, they should not gain more weight," says Pi-Sunyer, who headed the U.S. committee. "We don't feel those millions of people should be trying desperately to lose weight. At a BMI of 30, the risk for both disease and early mortality is so great that people should begin to lose weight."

Medical puzzle: Is weight gain less hazardous for blacks?

By DANIEL Q. HANEY

The Associated Press

While much research suggests even a little extra weight can be bad for people's health, the hazard is much less clear for black people than for whites.

Several studies show little or no association between rising weight and the risk of death for U.S. blacks, especially women. In fact, being overweight but not obese could even be a benefit rather than a hazard.

The question is why. Are blacks truly less susceptible than whites to the ill effects of fat? Or are the studies somehow so flawed that they fail to measure this effect?

"People don't know what to make of it," says Dr. Steven Heymsfield of Columbia University. "Blacks still have a lot of

strokes and heart attacks, but maybe it's for reasons other than BMI."

Also unclear is whether the same is true for people of African descent in other parts of the world, experts say, since large studies like those in the United States have been done.

One of the largest reports to look at this, an analysis of American Cancer Society data on more than 1 million U.S. adults, found strong ties between weight and longevity for whites but much less solid evidence for blacks.

For instance, the study found only about a 20 percent increased risk of death among overweight black women, and even then only when their body-mass index exceeded 35, which is well into the obese range. The risk for black men began to rise when they reached the overweight category, but the increase was small.

The rising risk was not considered statistically meaningful for either men or women, but that might have been because only about 12,000 study participants were black, too few to show a clear trend.

Another review that combined data from several large population follow-ups suggests a little extra weight might actually be a good thing for American blacks. Both men and women appeared to live a bit longer than usual if their BMIs were in the overweight but not obese category.

Some question the significance of the racial comparison. They say that since blacks die younger than whites, the studies might underestimate the health effects of weight or fail to account for weight loss that results from underlying diseases.

"I don't think a direct comparison of the relative mortality risk in blacks and whites is helpful," said Shrikri Kumanyika,

an epidemiologist at the University of Pennsylvania. "You would have to know the circumstances that influence death across the BMI distribution in the black population."

Still, if blacks truly suffer fewer consequences of modest weight gain, she and others speculate that differences in body fat distribution might partly explain why.

Fat is thought to be most dangerous if it is packed around the internal organs. This kind of fat is most biologically active, throwing off cholesterol levels and forcing up insulin levels.

Overweight blacks tend to have lower levels of harmful triglycerides and higher amounts of protective HDL than do similar-size whites, and this might be due to where fat is deposited. Blacks tend to carry a larger proportion of their fat in a layer under the skin rather than deep in the belly.



Passengers evacuate an American Airlines Airbus A300 in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in July 1998. One slide failed to work during the evacuation. Federal safety officials say it is an all-too-common occurrence for planes to leave the gate with slides that would not work if they were needed.

Planes' emergency slides found often out of order

BY LESLIE MILLER

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — American Airlines Flight 1128 was pushing back from the gate at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport last fall when fumes and smoke filled the cabin.

The captain declared an emergency and ordered an evacuation.

Flight attendants rushed to deploy four slides so passengers could exit safely to the ground. The tail slide failed to inflate, however, and eight of the 94 people

aboard were injured during the evacuation.

Federal safety officials say it is an all-too-common occurrence for planes leaving the gate with slides that would not work if they were needed.

Passengers and crew have about 90 seconds to evacuate a plane in an emergency, said Paul Hudson of Aviation Consumer Action Project.

Any longer, he said, and "there's a strong probability they'll die of fire or smoke inhalation."

The National Transportation Safety Board estimates that slides fail in about one-third of all evacuations. A board study four years ago found that at least one slide failed to deploy in seven of 19 evacuations during a 14-month period.

"We need to find out why so many slides fail during actual evacuations," said the board's chairman, Ellen Englemann Connors.

The board, which makes safety

recommendations, wants the FAA to require the airlines to test 10 percent of all evacuation slides to identify common problems. The FAA has been reluctant to do that.

Each carrier now must test some of its slides, though the rate is much lower than one in 10.

Testing would be more costly for airlines and would require that more planes be taken out of service.

"We are actively working to develop an alternate approach that would satisfy the intent of the safety recommendation," FAA spokesman Les Dorr said.

The agency recommended last year that airlines ensure maintenance manuals were updated and check parts of the slide assembly such as the pressure in the tank that inflates the device.

The FAA previously had allowed airlines to count inadvertent or emergency slide deployments toward the number of inspections required on slides each year.

Last week, the agency said that no longer would be allowed.

Cents and Sensibility

Money tip of the day

Look before you bid

CBS MarketWatch

NEW YORK — While almost anything can be found at online auction sites, you may want to look closely to make sure you're getting a good deal before bidding.

In her book "eBay for Dummies," marketing expert Marsha Collier outlines the basics for successful buying and selling on eBay, the international auction Web site that attracts tens of millions of users. Buyers and sellers alike sign up for free accounts to use the site, trafficking in everything from valuable heirlooms to kitschy collectibles.

To do well as a buyer, Collier recommends the following:

■ Find out as much as you can about the item's value, history and condition.

■ Read the item description carefully. Your winning bid is almost always considered a bind-

ing agreement to buy the item. So before you bid, find out if the item is new or used, an original or a reproduction, in its original packaging or under warranty, and so on.

■ Note the cost of shipping the item — it could push the total price above what you'd reasonably expect to pay in stores. If the cost isn't listed, ask the seller for an estimate. If the item is valuable or fragile, ask about packing methods (will it cost extra for bubble wrap) and shipping insurance.

■ Check the seller's reputation, or feedback score. Each eBay user's buying and selling transactions are recorded with feedback from the other party.

■ Bid in odd increments. Collier said bidders often use 25-cent increments, so entering a maximum bid of \$8.26 instead of \$8.25 could help you win without overly inflating the bid.

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FACES 'N' PLACES

Beenie Man the homophobe?

A concert by **Beenie Man** was canceled after police questioned the Jamaican dancehall star about his allegedly homophobic lyrics, the Ocean nightclub said Friday.

Beenie Man, whose real name is **Anthony Davis**, had been set to appear in **London** on Thursday night as part of a European tour.

The 30-year-old performer is one of the biggest names in the dancehall scene and had a top 10 hit with his single "Dude." But human-rights campaigners say songs such as "Bad Man Chi Chi Man (Bad Man, Queen Man)" could incite violence against gay men.

In a statement, Ocean nightclub in **Hackney**, east **London**, said the cancellation followed "concerns for public safety and following discussions with the Metropolitan Police."

Police said they didn't ask for the concert to be canceled.

Newspaper editor knighted

Harold Evans, former editor of *The Times* of **London** and *The Sunday Times*, was knighted by **Prince Charles** for his service to journalism.

"It is very exciting, it is wonderful," Evans, 75, said Friday after receiving his knighthood at **Buckingham Palace**. "I want to divide it up into 140 bits. Most of my success comes from colleagues, so I call them all knights."

The son of a railway worker, Evans first rose through the ranks to become editor of the **Northern Echo** newspaper. But it was at the helm of *The Sunday Times*, which he led for 14 years, that he achieved his greatest fame as a campaigning journalist.

After his stint on national newspapers in **Britain**, he moved to the **United States** with his wife, **Tina Brown**, who is now a columnist for *The Washington Post*.

Evans, who will return to **Britain** in October for the publication of his latest book, was joined at the ceremony by his wife and their children, **George**, 18, and **Isabel**, 13.

Diana Ross sings for the home folks

Diana Ross took more than 2,000 people on a trip down memory lane during a 90-minute concert in her hometown of **Greenwich, Conn.**, that benefited a local teen center.

Ross performed nearly two dozen of her most popular songs from her 40-year career Thursday night, the **Greenwich Time** reported.

General seating for the concert was free, but some 400 people paid \$250 to \$1,000 for premium seating near the stage.

"Thank you," the 60-year-old singer said to the crowd during one of her breaks. "I can't see you all but I know you all are there."

INXS 'really' looking for singer

Australian rock band **INXS**, which has kept going with guest vocalists since **Michael Hutchence** died in 1997, has enlisted **radio** TV guru **Mark Burnett** to help them find a new singer.

Burnett's reality series "Rock Star" will air next summer on **CBS**, the network announced Thursday.

His obvious model is **Fox's** "American Idol." Burnett will hold auditions in the **United States** and in **London, Tokyo** and **Sydney, Australia**. The top contenders will live together in Hollywood and compete live each week.

INXS, which had the hits "What You Need" and "Need You Tonight," will embark on a world tour with their new singer.

Burnett's pedigree as producer of "Survivor" and "The Apprentice" made "Rock Star" a concept eagerly sought by the TV networks.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press



Beenie Man



Evans



Ross

Love and physical comedy

Ben Stiller and wife Christine Taylor take lumps in 'Dodgeball'

BY JOE NEUMAIER

New York Daily News

Ben Stiller says there was some damage done while filming "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story."

Unfortunately, it was to his wife and co-star, Christine Taylor.

"Yeah, I hit her in the face with a ball," Stiller says sheepishly. "And you know, something like that can really affect a relationship."

"But I had to hit her, for the script. Then I was aiming for [co-star] Vince Vaughn and got Christine twice."

"And no matter what you say afterward, if you hit somebody in the face with a dodgeball, they're just not happy about it."

Taylor says she gave her husband the benefit of the doubt.

"He got the side of my face — I had ringing in my ears, tears welling up. I said, 'Don't worry, I know you weren't aiming for me,' and Ben said, 'Of course I was aiming for you!' He could've gotten out of it; he didn't take it!"

"It's a sport of exclusion, violence and degradation," says Stiller. "But that doesn't mean it's not fun."

In "Dodgeball," Stiller plays White Goodman, the oafish, unattractive owner of a mega-gym franchise intent on buying the run-down exercise center across the street, owned by Peter LaFleur (Vaughn). To avoid foreclosure, Peter and a group of out-of-shape losers enter a dodgeball tournament.

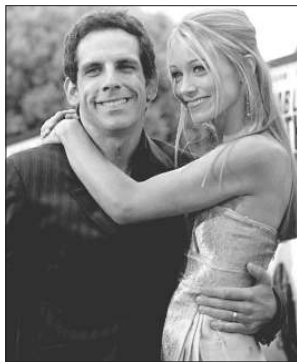
Taylor is the lawyer who joins them to face White on the dodgeball court.

"Being the villain was one of the reasons I wanted to do this," says Stiller, who this year already has played a put-upon leading man in "Along Came Polly," a heroic goof in "Starsky & Hutch" and a jealous loser in "Envy."

Stiller, 38, and Taylor, 32 (who played Marcia in 1995's "The Brady Bunch Movie" and its sequel), met when she auditioned in 1999 for a never-aired TV show Stiller was directing called "Heat Vision and Jack." They married in 2000 and made the fashion-industry spoof "Zoolander" in 2001.

At the "Heat" audition, Taylor says, she thought she wasn't his type.

"He thought I was too Marcia Brady for the role, which was sort of a '70s female sheriff. He told me to 'try and be sexier.'"



AP photos

Ben Stiller and his wife, Christine Taylor, stars of the new film "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story," pose at the premiere of the film in **Los Angeles** on June 14.

Once they were dating, Stiller recounts. "We never said, 'Let's go make a movie' — it just happened that we've worked together a few times. It's very unfunny."

But they're not interested in becoming a "comedy team," like his parents, Jerry Stiller and Anne Mearns, who would work out routines in their upper West Side apartment while Ben was growing up.

"I don't ever want to be billed as a 'funny couple' — that's a turnoff," Stiller says. "Like, 'Hey, come see the funny couple!'"

"It would be too much," agrees Taylor. But she knows when to let boys be boys. "Ben and Vince together can just let their humor go, and they're like lightning," she says. "If I can get something funny in, I'm lucky."

"But I'd never try to top them — they might hit me in the face with a ball!"

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Ask the readers

Stars and Stripes announced [last] week that it will no longer have an Accent section in the paper.

Stripes announced the end of the TV section [in Europe], which raised a howl. It gave us Pulse instead, which raised a howl. Now, it's ending Pulse, too.

What will "end" next: the Travel section, the comics, what?

Did the leadership at Stripes ever consider asking the paying readers what they think of these planned/proposed "endings"? Would they be willing to pay more to keep certain features? I'm sure it's a money matter, not editorial whimsy or analysis of readers' pleasure that brings on these "endings."

Ask us, OK?

We readers are your customers, clients and reason to be asking. Ask us, OK?

Robert D. Doleman
Landsluth, Germany

Conservatives feel betrayed

Conservatives feel betrayed by President Bush because he's failed them on so many core issues. Christian conservatives view his actions as being in direct opposition to their values. Examples of how this administration has failed to uphold conservative positions are:

1. Military weakness. Military leadership knows that troops are spread too thin, but this administration is proposing further personnel cuts, unaccompanied extended tours, and closing more bases. Cutting veterans' benefits doesn't keep the bargain with those who have served and

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doesn't help recruitment and retention efforts. Closing European bases doesn't make strategic or diplomatic sense, strengthening NATO was stated as a priority in the election campaign and after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

2. Deficit spending. The United States now has a \$500 billion deficit, but there is no shortage of future spending plans from the White House, such as a mission to Mars and the recent billion-dollar payoffs to tobacco farmers.

3. Bigger government. The large-scale expansion of government bureaucracy since the Great Society programs of the '60s was supported by this administration with the passage of the Medicare prescription drug

4. Shortchanging U.S. anti-terrorism.

Aid and verify, in ditzty North Korea

The United States is offering North Korea third-country aid incentives and a no-invasion pledge in exchange for nuclear disarmament.

It is a welcome development.

The other countries at the table — Russia, China, Japan and South Korea — have been waiting impatiently for the United States to make an offer like this, and it is obvious why. The government of North Korea is believed to have at least two nuclear weapons and has a personality that is puzzling and belligerent.

Its nuclear program is the card in its hand. "That is the only card," says Joseph Ferguson, director of Northeast Asian studies at The National Bureau of Asian Research [in Seattle]. The temptation to keep the North Koreans alive to be pre-

tend to play the card while still holding it, a trick it has pulled off before. That means the American side will have to remember President Reagan's memorable phrase: "Trust but verify."

The goal of the United States is what the State Department calls "complete irreversible verifiable disarmament." The "verifiable" part means inspections, probably modeled on the frustrating but necessary U.N. missions to Iraq. These missions were doubted at the time, but in hindsight they worked to put the regime on notice.

Certainly, it is better to have inspections of North Korea at the moment we have none.

Critics will say that any cooperation would prop up Kim Jong Il's Communist regime at the expense of North Korea's people. Unhappily, it is Kim's objective to keep his regime in power by build-

This administration's budget proposals cut emergency first-responders by \$1 billion. Money that should be spent on hardening potential targets in the States — such as bridges, tunnels, ports and transit — is instead used to build schools, clinics and infrastructure in other countries, paid by U.S. taxpayers. Terrorism experts maintain that the United States is as vulnerable now as it was before 9/11, but funds for projects remain mostly in Washington.

5. Lying about reasons for war. The 9/11 commission has concluded that there was no connection between Iraq or Saddam Hussein and al Qaeda. The CIA and the U.N. weapons inspections teams concluded before the invasion that there were no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

6. Flip-flopping on social issues. The president says he is pro-life, but appoints judges who aren't. He hasn't ended government grants to Planned Parenthood. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney opposed a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, and switched positions only after religious groups objected. Cheney's activist lesbian daughter is paid \$180,000 for a highly visible position as his campaign manager.

7. Poor financial planning. The White House will run out of money for the war effort by October. Delaying tax cuts for the wealthiest would have provided a financial cushion, but instead the Defense Department was told to cut programs across the board.

The death of former President Ronald Reagan was a powerful reminder of how conservatives value more character and trust. President Bush has proven that he can't be trusted to strengthen the military, limit government spending, or effectively fight terrorism. Conservatives won't support someone who breaks promises and does the opposite of what he says.

M. Wooldridge
Wierzbice, Germany

ing the weapons. But consider the alternatives. North Korea's possession of nuclear explosives means we cannot risk an invasion or otherwise put it against the wall.

The card in North Korea's hand compels us to play the game, but it does not compel us to lose.

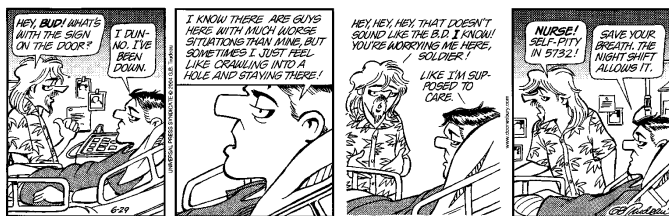
Russia, China, Japan, the United States and South Korea hold all the economic cards and most of the military and political ones. We have another card, which we sometimes forget about time.

Like a chemical reagent, five decades of time have brought out the essence of the two societies of the Korean peninsula. The difference is visible in the famous wartime photograph from across with South Korea lit like a chandelier and North Korea as dark as a barn.

That tells us the North is playing a lost-reacts for its atomic warheads.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury



OPINION

Iraq questions cause Bush numbers to slip

By RICK MERCIER

The Fredericksburg (Va.) Free Lance-Star

Before President Bush's Mesopotamian adventure, TomPaine.com produced an advertisement showing Osama bin Laden pointing at the reader, à la Uncle Sam, and exclaiming, "I want you to invade Iraq."

As aptprop, it was brilliant, as an implicit commentary on the probable effects of an Iraq invasion, it wasn't so bad, either.

With about four months to go until Election Day, I'm hoping that TomPaine or some other wisecracker will put out an ad with the same image of bin Laden, but with the request, "I want you to vote for Bush."

It's not hard to imagine bin Laden, tucked away in some remote tribal village along the Afghan-Pakistani border, chucking to himself and mockingly chanting: "Four more years, four more years." Bush has done a stunning job of playing into al-Qaida's hands; bin Laden could not have planned Bush's response to Sept. 11 any better than he could have planned the abominable acts of that day.

That's essentially the argument made by a senior U.S. intelligence official, identified by the London [newspaper the] Guardian as "centrally involved in the hunt for bin Laden," in a soon-to-be-published book titled "Imperial Hubris: Why the West Is Losing the War on Terror."

Written anonymously — because its author is still serving in an unnamed agency as a counterterrorism analyst — the book may represent what many counterintelligence officials inside Washington's permanent government are thinking. Terrorism expert Peter Bergen, who has written two books on bin Laden and al-Qaida, told the Guardian that "Hubris" presents "an amped-up version of what is emerging as the consensus among intelligence counter-terrorist professionals."

According to the Guardian, "Imperial Hubris" characterizes the Iraq invasion as "an

avaricious, premeditated, unprovoked war against a foe who posed no immediate threat but whose defeat did offer economic advantage.

"Our choice of timing, moreover, shows an abject, even willful failure to recognize the ideological power, lethality and growth potential of the threat personified by bin Laden, as well as the impetus that threat has been given by the U.S.-led invasion and occupation of Muslim Iraq."

The author of "Imperial Hubris" believes bin Laden may well be planning a catastrophic attack on the United States before November — with the intention of getting Americans to rally around Bush and carry him to victory.

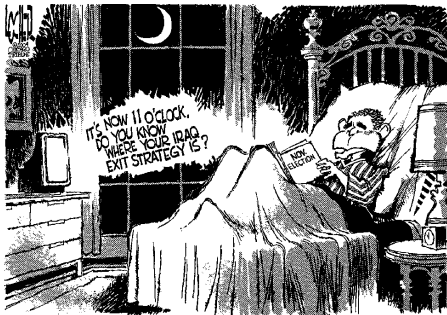
"I'm very sure they (al-Qaida) can't have a better administration for them than the one they have now," "Anonymous" told the Guardian.

A less "amped-up," but no less politically potent, critique of Bush emerged [this month] from a bipartisan group of 27 former diplomats and military commanders who have launched an unprecedented campaign to persuade Americans that "a whole new team is needed to repair the damage" caused by Bush and his neoconservative brain trust.

The White House has tried to dismiss the former high-ranking officials as partisan hacks, but that's yet another administration distortion. Many of those in Diplomats & Military Commanders for Change served Republican presidents, including Bush's father. Some of the ex-officials even voted for Bush in 2000.

Says retired Air Force Gen. Merrill McPeak, a member of the group who is advising John Kerry but was the Oregon candidate for Dole campaign in 1996 and a veteran for Bush in 2000: "I don't think that this accusation of politics on my part will wash. It's just this administration has gone away from me, not vice versa."

The Iraq debacle is "the worst reverse we've had on the international scene, and it



simply has to be laid at the feet of the president," says McPeak, who served as Air Force chief of staff under the first President Bush and commander in chief of Pacific air forces under President Reagan.

Americans are starting to understand this line of critique. A recent poll by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press found that Americans have become "considerably more negative" about how they view the war in Iraq in relation to the war on terrorism.

In the poll, 43 percent of Americans say the Iraq war has helped the war on terrorism, while 44 percent believe it has hindered it.

About a year ago, 65 percent felt the Iraq invasion had helped the war on terrorism, Pew notes.

Meanwhile, the latest Washington Post-ABC poll shows that only half the country

approves of how Bush is waging the war on terrorism.

That's down 13 points since April. In addition, Bush has lost his commanding lead over Kerry as the candidate people trust to confront the terrorist threat, according to the poll.

The poll also found that 3 in 4 Americans now believe the Iraq war has damaged the image of the United States throughout the world, while a majority think the war has not boosted prospects for long-term peace and stability in the Middle East.

If the public-opinion trends indicated by these figures persist, Bush is in big trouble. But the wild card is bin Laden. If the terrorist mastermind has a bloody October surprise up his sleeve, our misleader may be rewarded with another four years to undermine our security.

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Data on snowmobile harm as reliable as Old Faithful

The (Baltimore) Sun

Fear of exploitation and degradation is what inspired Congress in 1872 to set aside 22 million acres in three states to preserve the unique volcanic region known as Yellowstone as the world's first national park.

President Ulysses S. Grant signed the measure declaring the sensitive area, with its roaring geysers and bubbling mud, would forever be set apart "for the benefit and enjoyment of the people."

But modern-day lawmakers have joined President Bush in turning that guarantee on its head. They are favoring use of the park by snowmobilers over the interests of all other visitors, and putting a higher priority on economic than on environmental concerns.

Sadly, the short shift given to Yellowstone, that grand old patriarch of parks, is symptomatic of a neglectful policy being applied to our national treasures across the board. At a time of war and tax cuts and huge deficits, something has to give. And under a spending bill recently approved by the House, a big loser is clearly the nation's parks, already woefully underfunded for repair and maintenance.

Tight money doesn't excuse the refusal to stem the damage done by snowmobilers in Yellowstone, though. In fact, the National Park Service has been required to divert millions of scarce dollars into repeated studies of their impact — and will have to

spend millions more trying to manage snowmobilers unless their access to the park is cut off.

Those studies have consistently shown that snowmobiles cause noise and air pollution that foul the atmosphere, harm the wildlife and destroys the natural serenity that Grant and his contemporaries had intended to preserve for generations without end.

At the urging of the park service, former President Clinton ordered in 2000 that snowmobile use in Yellowstone and nearby Grand Teton National Park be phased

out. But the snowmobile industry howled, and Bush reversed the order when he took office the following year. The battle moved to the federal courts, where it has resulted so far in conflicting decisions.

An attempt in Congress to legislate a snowmobile ban in the two parks failed in the House last year on a 210-210 tie. But the ban lost ground this year when previous supporters, including C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger, D-Md., switched sides to oppose it 224-198.

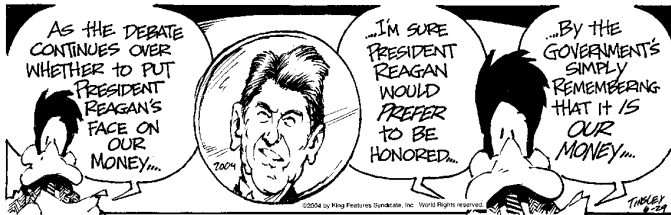
Ruppersberger's chief concern was access, a spokeswoman said. He worried that

without snowmobiles, visitors couldn't get around Yellowstone during the three-month winter season. Hiking and cross-country skiing aren't an option for everyone, he reasoned. And he was impressed by research from the snowmobile industry that argued the multipassenger snowcoaches urged as an alternative would offer no improvement on air quality from snowmobiles.

Is winter access to Old Faithful an inalienable right? That may be what the courts decide. Until then, Bush should let the park service head its own best judgment and keep the snowmobiles out.

Mallard Fillmore

By BRUCE TINSLEY



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Land-use clash

NV RENO — Reno city planners are recommending that the city annex 7,500 acres in Cold Springs, where a developer plans to build nearly 6,900 homes. The move threatens to strain relations with Washoe County. Many Cold Springs residents say the annexation would ruin their rural lifestyle.

County officials say the city's regulations current zoning and regional planning goals.

Wetlands in danger

MA BOSTON — A plan by state environmental officials to amend the rules that protect wetlands could lead to the destruction of some of the state's most fragile ecosystems, environmentalists say.

The rules being written by state Department of Environmental Protection officials could be in place as soon as the fall.

The department, which has had its budget cut drastically, said the changes will allow staff to stop spending time on minor violations and instead concentrate efforts on landowners who are illegally filling in larger areas of wetlands.

City school clean-up

IL CHICAGO — Mayor Richard M. Daley announced plans to close the city's worst-performing schools and replace most of them with charter and contract schools, using private-sector money and ideas.

By 2010, more than 10 percent of the city's schools would be re-created as one-third as charter schools, one third as independently operated contract schools and the remainder as smaller schools run by the district.

The third-largest public school system in the nation, Chicago has almost 600 schools and more than 331,000 students. The changes have already begun at some schools.

Not the smartest choice

TX HOUSTON — The chief prosecutor in the nation's fourth largest city is a victim of identity theft after a woman with a history of fraud allegedly obtained his bank account number and is now accused of writing hot checks.

Harris County District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal had to shut down his bank account, contact police and draw money out of his children's savings account temporarily.

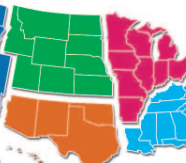
A 30-year-old Beaumont woman, Sharon Durbin, allegedly wrote nearly two dozen phony checks on the DA's personal bank account, investigators say. She passed herself off as "Cathy Rosenthal" and had a fake driver's license to match.

Attacked by a deer

VT MOUNT HOLLY — A 4-year-old boy in Mt. Holly was slightly injured when he was attacked by a whitetail deer outside his home.

Will McCullough suffered abrasions to the back of one leg after a mature doe charged and struck him with its hooves Monday morning.

The boy's father, William McCullough, said the boy is doing fine but is shaken by the incident.



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Alleged AIDS assault

WA OLYMPIA — A 32-year-old man has been charged with intentionally exposing at least 17 women to the AIDS virus after he ignored an order from health officials to stop having unprotected sex.

Four of the women have tested positive for HIV.

Anthony E. Whitfield faced 17 counts of first-degree assault with sexual motivation as well as charges of witness-tampering and violating no-contact orders involving two of the women.

School porn charges

VA PORTSMOUTH — A seven-year employee of Portsmouth public schools has been jailed on charges that he possessed pornographic photos of boys, some of whom he met when he was a teacher.

Kelly Karl Bowen, 30, was ordered held without bond on nine counts of possessing child pornography and one count of using a computer to solicit sex with a child. Authorities said they are looking for more victims.

The investigation began June 17 when an undercover officer in Gloucester County engaged in an Internet chat with someone who posed as a woman who "liked to have sex with young boys," according to court records.



Nose to nose

The Concorde aircraft, the slender white jetliner, opens to public tour at its new home on the Hudson River next to the Intrepid Sea-Air-Space museum. It's a comedown for the plane that still held the trans-Atlantic commercial speed record when it was retired last year.

ing to court records. The person also claimed to have pornographic pictures and videos of children, the records say.

Roof collapse

TX GALVESTON — The roof at a Home Depot store in Galveston partially collapsed, possibly due to heavy rains that continued to drench the area.

No one was injured when the roof came down after 6 a.m. "It is certainly possible that the heavy rain had an impact with water on the roof, but it will take us a little while to get in and determine a cause," said Ed Jennings, Galveston County's emergency management coordinator.

Jennings said the area around the store, which wasn't open at the time of the collapse, had been secured Friday morning as investigators tried to determine what caused the roof to fall.

Coach under fire

TN KNOXVILLE — A softball coach who disappeared last year with one of his teenage players waived extradition in court Friday and will return to Oregon to face charges.

Andrew James Garver, 39, of Beaverton, Ore., will remain jailed in Knox County until Oregon officials take him into custody. He did not speak during the brief court appearance.

Garver surrendered to police Wednesday after he and the girl were involved in a minor traffic accident. Knoxville police said they believed Garver and the girl had been living in the city since they disappeared in September.

Smoking ban ignored

OH TOLEDO — A bar owner who sought to extinguish the city's smoking ban has become the first tavern operator to come under fire for violating it.

Bill Delaney, owner of Delaney's Lounge, was convicted Tuesday in Toledo Municipal Court of 11 misdemeanors, including having ash trays available and failing to post no-smoking signs. Authorities also found people smoking in his bar.

Delaney faces a \$100 fine on each violation when he is sentenced July 17. Several other bar owners also have been charged with violations.

Delaney was a leader of "Taverns for Tots," which formed after the ban. Bar owners created the charity to take advantage of a loophole that allows smoking in private clubs and at private social functions.

A judge ruled it was not a legitimate organization.

Halloween murder

VA LOUISA — A jury convicted a Louisa County woman of first-degree murder for killing her 6-year-old daughter on Halloween 2002.

The panel recommended a 30-year prison sentence for Pamela Whitleton. Sentencing was scheduled for Sept. 8.

Louisa County Commonwealth's Attorney R. Don Short introduced evidence and witnesses at the four-day trial that showed Whitleton, 40, suffocated her daughter Diamond before shooting herself in the head in a botched suicide attempt. The woman suffered a brain injury from the gunshot and uses crutches to get around.



Outside looking in

Researchers check out the apes at the Lincoln Park Zoo's new Regenstein Center for African Apes in Chicago. The new \$26 million habitat brings realism and interaction to a new level.



Spinnin' their wheels

Barbara Odanaka, of Laguna Beach, Calif., left, and Alison McGuire, of Exton, Penn., try to coordinate a skateboarding stunt during the "Mighty Mama Skate-o-Rama" gathering in New York's Riverside Park.



Big wheel keep on turnin' The paddlewheeler Spirit of Peoria passes by spectators in Davenport, Iowa, during the Grand Excursion 2004 parade of boats.



Up, up and away

Hot air balloons drift over Lake Chemung during the 20th Michigan Challenge Balloonfest in Howell, Mich.



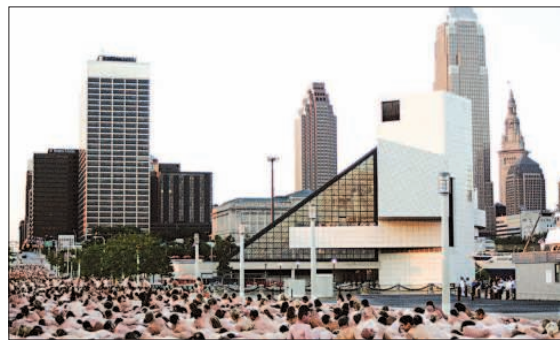
Only skin deep

A brown anole sheds its skin in Surfside, Fla. Unlike snakes, who shed their skin in one piece, anoles' skin flakes off in pieces, which they often eat for their nutritional value.



Don't look down

Visitors view a portion of The Dale Chihuly exhibit on display at the Oklahoma City Museum of Art in Oklahoma City. The museum has exceeded its \$3 million campaign goal to purchase a 2,400-piece art glass exhibit by Chihuly.



Candid camera

More than 2,700 nude models pose for photographer Spencer Tunick in downtown Cleveland. Tunick specializes in nude photo shoots.

Old school reunion

PA MECHANICSBURG — The Class of 1932 at Mechanicsburg High School has met every year for a reunion, except when Hurricane Agnes doused plans for the 40th in 1972.

The numbers have dwindled sharply from the original 84 class members, however. Last year, four classmates gathered. This year's reunion will be at a table for two. Rachel Snavely, 89, of Silver Spring Township, and Frank McGuire, 91, of Hartford, Conn., will meet at the Dodge City Restaurant in Harrisburg.

Armored car heist

TX HOUSTON — About \$1 million, mostly in checks made payable to the Harris County tax assessor-collector's office, remained missing after a robbery at the armored car and security business that transported the funds.

Two men robbed Triple D Security Sunday afternoon, making off with the checks and about \$50,000 in cash paid to the tax office.

Each day the county office takes in large amounts of cash and checks from residents paying property taxes and vehicle registrations.

History for sale

RI PROVIDENCE — The Rhode Island Historical Society may begin selling some of its assets — possibly including furniture — to raise money for the financially troubled organization.

Leaders revealed on Thursday the society has been mismanaged, and is now in financial peril, according to The Providence Journal.

The society's executive director, Bernard Fishman, said the group needs to increase its endowment from \$4.7 million to \$14.7 million.

The society is reviewing its collection to see what could be sold. It includes furniture, one piece that's valued at more than \$11 million.

Rafter dies on first trip

AK ANCHORAGE — A man died after being thrown from his raft during a treacherous portion of a whitewater rafting trip, state troopers said.

Clarence Savage, 52, of Chicago, a first-time rafter, was sucked under-water Thursday after the raft struck a canyon wall during the guided trip at Sixmile Creek in southern Alaska, said Greg Wilkinson, an Alaska State Troopers spokesman.

Savage was not breathing when he surfaced soon after, Wilkinson said.

48 arrested in drug bust

NY ELMIRA — Police who said they uncovered a cocaine and marijuana distribution network arrested 48 people Thursday and sought several others.

About 230 officers participated in Thursday's raids, which begin in the early morning. Searches of 10 sites in Chemung County yielded two handguns, one assault rifle, about \$14,000 in cash, 3 ounces of cocaine and about 2 pounds of marijuana, authorities said.

The drug distribution network had been operating between Syracuse and Elmira, police said.

Arrest warrants had been issued for several people who remained at large. Police said they were Jason A. Fullwood, 26, of Elmira; Joshua K. Kenna, 23, of Corning; Jend M. Reilly, 24, of Elmira; Eugene J. Sabatini, 26, of Elmira, and David A. Vanhorn, 27, of Chemung.

When bears attack

NC CHARLOTTE — Denton Turner figured he was dead already.

So he didn't cry out, didn't move, didn't even open his eyes as a bear attacked him last week at Yellowstone National Park.

"The way he was biting me, I thought that I would be so torn up, I'd lay there and die," Turner, 19, told The Charlotte Observer by telephone from the park in Wyoming.

The Charlotte native, a sophomore at Appalachian State University, suffered bruises, lacerations, puncture wounds to his back and a bite below his right arm.

Yellowstone officials have since reopened the trail where the attack occurred, with strong bear warnings posted.

Park spokeswoman Stacy Vallie said 27 bear attacks have been reported in the park since 1980, with two resulting in deaths. Some 300 to 600 grizzlies live in the greater Yellowstone area, she said.

Graffiti cleaner killed

CA LOS ANGELES — A man was shot to death Thursday while removing graffiti from store fronts for an anti-gang organization.

Two suspected gang members were being sought, a police spokeswoman said.

Miguel Rafael Gomez, 35, died in the Boyle Heights neighborhood where he was working for Homeboy Industries, an organization that helps former gang members stay off the streets and contracts with the city to remove graffiti.

Gomez came to the organization to turn his life around after being released from prison, said the Rev. Gregory Boyle, founder of the organization.

"He was a real good kid," Boyle said. "These things are senseless."

Tax preparer fraud

NH CONCORD — A tax preparer who ran hotel seminars to teach people how to avoid paying federal income taxes was sentenced Thursday to nine years in prison on multiple counts of preparing false returns.

Steven Swan, 51, of Manchester, was convicted in February in U.S. District Court of 15 counts of preparing the false returns and amended returns for others; two counts of preparing false returns for himself; and one count of corruptly impeding the administration of the federal tax laws.

Under federal law, Swan will not be eligible for parole.

"All citizens must pay their fair share of the cost of our freedom and privileges living in this country," U.S. Attorney Thomas Colantuono said. "The substantial sentence imposed in this case should serve as a clear warning to those attracted by tax protesters' false claim that there is no legal requirement to pay federal income taxes."

Stories and photos from wire services

Horoscope

Venus returns to a direct transit through Gemini, and, already, we can feel the tension start to slack on snarled-up relationships.

The urgency of money problems seems to have quieted down, too. It now seems like there's time to work these things out, and we are patient enough to do it. Soon, love and money issues will get easier to handle.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(June 29): You're a senior this year. The transformation is so drastic, people who know you well will say, "Who are you?" Super status is reached at work. You deserve the reputation you are earning. Your finances reflect your diligent work this fall.

Some of you will opt for new transportation and a tropical vacation. Scorpio and Sagittarius are favored planets.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You've pinpointed what you need from a relationship, and it's time to act. Define your role, and stay within the boundaries. That way, nothing gets too complicated. You introduce those who wouldn't know each other if not for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): There's a big opportunity to let go of your past. You've been holding on to it, and it's juicy enough to entice you to drop anything holding you back. Besides, living in the past only exhausts your strength.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): The gem is peppered with glorious disruptions! It keeps you on your toes and also makes you wonder if your priorities are really straight to begin with. You're in a competitive mood this afternoon but should avoid high-risk situations.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): It will be hard to find time to yourself, so you'll have to make it — possibly even fight for it. Spending an hour dreaming, planning and visualizing your success will prevent you from spending three hours on a futile activity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): There will be the never-ending question of "Should I stay, or should I go?" and

you're better off staying.

There's too much to do in your corner of the world. Any improvements made now have a far-reaching effect.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):

Your greatest lessons could come from not getting what you want right away. If you've been pushing for something to happen and nothing is, consider it a blessing. There is a greater wisdom at work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): All corners

want to run the show — too bad for them that you are really the one best equipped to do it. Use that easygoing leadership style you've so carefully

honed — the one where you make it seem like their idea.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21):

The beauty of partnership is the theme.

What has a positive effect on the big picture might not fully satisfy you as an individual just yet, but you are willing to compromise in order to see results. In the end, you're duly rewarded.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):

Find out where your relationship stands and what you and your partner are willing to do to heal the past and create a relationship where you're getting the kind of love and encouragement you need.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

This will be a five-star day for you, and even better, there are people around to be happy for you. You're thrilled that progress is coming as quickly as you wanted it to come.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

The anticipation of an event could take up most of your energy. Many details must fall in line in order for things to go the way you've imagined. If working out, be sure to stretch, warm up and cool down to avoid injury.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):

A behavior you used to think was maverick is really just stubborn. The new motto is "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em." It's not weakness but smarts that drives this transition. If no one understands a product, no one will buy it.

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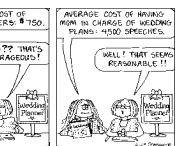
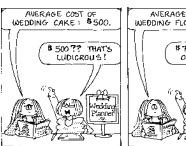
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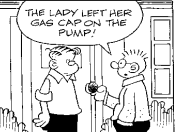
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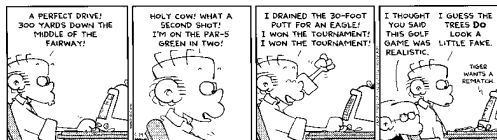
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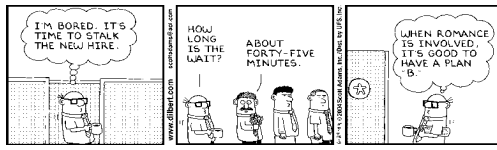
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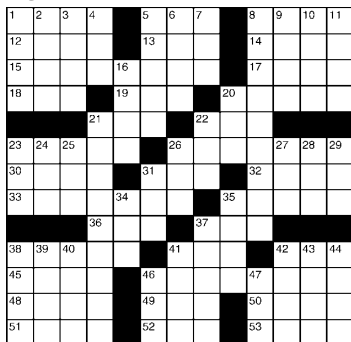
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Eugene Sheffer Crossword



Across

- 1 Arizona river
- 5 Health resort
- 8 End of the song
- 12 March 15, e.g.
- 13 Scull tool
- 14 Enthusiastic
- 15 It may be Rather informative
- 17 Put aside
- 18 Melancholy
- 20 Holdup man?
- 21 Show you're 18-Across
- 22 Support system?
- 23 "Loves me (not)" factor
- 26 Horror-movie villains
- 30 A really long time
- 31 Superman foe
- 32 Toast topper
- 33 Couldn't stand
- 35 Corrupt
- 36 Succor
- 37 Barracks bed
- 38 Plays the clarinet
- 41 Moo — gal pal
- 42 — Veneto
- 45 Verdi opera
- 46 Blue
- 48 Race place
- 49 Indivisible
- 50 Norway's capital
- 51 Not so much
- 52 Exchange vows
- 53 Gridlock noise

Answer to Previous Puzzle



Down

- 1 Traps
- 2 Impression
- 3 Lascivious
- 4 Pompous sort
- 5 Lathered
- 6 Quarterback's tactic
- 7 Illustrations
- 8 Look for
- 9 Office shape
- 10 Prima donna
- 11 Fruit drinks
- 16 Ringlet
- 20 It's up your sleeve
- 21 "Survivor" group
- 22 Engage in pugilism
- 23 Cony
- 24 Freudian subject
- 25 Crumpeater's quaff
- 26 Letter from London
- 27 Under the weather
- 28 "A mouse!"
- 29 Sauce source
- 31 Took by the hand
- 34 Word embroidered on terry cloth
- 35 Benefit
- 37 Intimidated
- 38 \$50, in "Monopoly" Occupation
- 40 Probability
- 41 Among the missing
- 42 Florist shop item
- 43 Place for 21-Down
- 44 On
- 46 Jones' partner
- 47 Sticky horse

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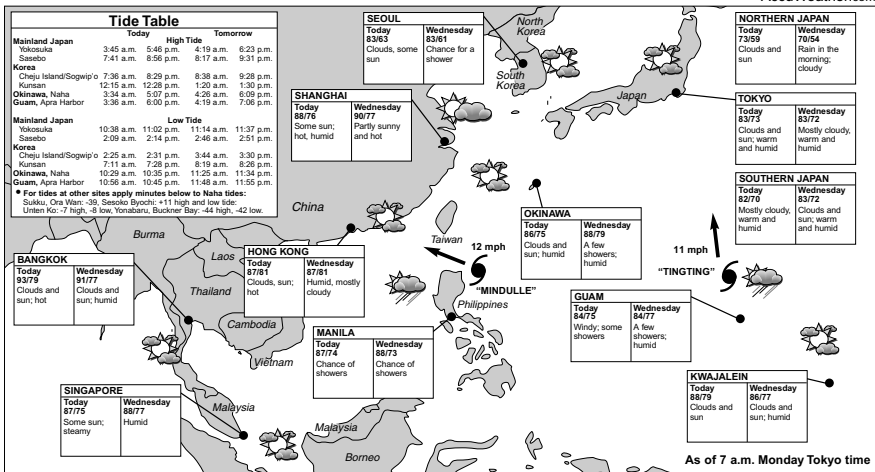
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Extended Forecasts

TOKYO

Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 82, low 70.
 Friday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 80, low 73.

KADENA

Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 88, low 80.
 Friday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 89, low 81.

SEUL

Thursday: Rain, high 77, low 61.
 Friday: Thunderstorms, high 82, low 66.

MANILA

Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 87, low 72.
 Friday: Thunderstorms, high 87, low 73.

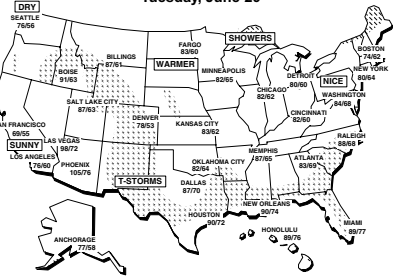
HAGATNA

Thursday: Showers, high 88, low 79.
 Friday: Thunderstorms, high 88, low 79.

Sunday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	86/63	Los Angeles	78/62
Amarillo	81/59	Little Rock	80/67
Anchorage	80/59	Louisville	83/66
Asheville	74/61	Miami	91/79
Baltimore	82/62	Milwaukee	73/54
Birmingham	79/70	Nashville	81/65
Bismarck	75/49	New York	81/64
Boise	90/63	Omaha	74/65
Boston	79/61	Orlando	93/74
Brownsville	94/76	Philadelphia	82/62
Buffalo	72/54	Phoenix	106/81
Burlington	75/51	Pittsburgh	75/66
Charleston, SC	88/73	Portland, OR	78/57
Charlotte	82/65	Portland, ME	77/50
Cleveland	77/56	Salt Lake City	86/61
Columbus, OH	79/60	Salt Lake City	86/61
Duluth	68/48	San Antonio	87/74
El Paso	93/67	San Diego	71/64
Hartford	80/63	San Juan	89/77
Helena	77/50	Tampa	93/77
Indianapolis	81/60	Tulsa	83/67
Jacksonville	93/73	Washington	82/64
Kansas City	75/59	Wichita	80/62

Tuesday, June 29



U.S. Extended Forecast

Tuesday will bring another round of rain to the Gulf Coast and Southeast. Heavy rain is possible across parts of southern Louisiana and Mississippi. Thunderstorms will rumble across Florida and the Deep South. Additional rain will aggravate flooding problems across parts of Louisiana, Mississippi and eastern Texas. Drier weather will return to the Gulf Coast on Wednesday. Thunderstorms will keep the weather unsettled across the Rocky Mountains. Thunderstorms will develop in the afternoon heat across Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. Moisture streaming northward Wednesday will fuel storms across Idaho, Wyoming and Montana. Elsewhere, dry weather will prevail across the Ohio Valley.

Tuesday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	93/79	Iwakuni	84/71
Beijing	77/59	Kadena AB	86/75
Camp Casey	77/63	Kunsan AB	81/66
Christchurch	55/41	Kwajalein	88/79
Diego Garcia	84/72	Manila	87/74
Hagatna	84/75	Masawa AB	77/64
Hanoi	91/79	Osan	81/65
Hong Kong	87/61	Perth	65/48
Honolulu	89/76	Pusan	82/68
		Sasebo	86/75
		Sapporo	73/59
		Seoul	83/63
		Shanghai	88/76
		Singapore	87/75
		Sydney	67/47
		Tagu	84/68
		Taipei	88/71
		Tokyo	83/73

Tuesday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Budapest	76/52	Kabul	100/67
Buenos Aires	67/46	Kiev	66/46
Cairo	100/67	Kuwait	110/79
Cancun	85/72	London	65/53
Cape Town	81/59	Madrid	99/76
Geneva	76/60	Mexico City	76/54
Istanbul	81/63	Montreal	73/59
Jerusalem	88/61	Mogadishu	80/70
Johannesburg	61/37	Moscow	64/45
		New Delhi	108/80
		Oslo	65/50
		Paris	69/55
		Rio de Janeiro	76/63
		Rome	89/67
		St. Petersburg	70/47
		Stockholm	69/52
		Warsaw	67/44

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MOVIES

SPORTS

J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30
6	AFN-P	HSPNews	Pacific Report	7th Heaven: When Bad Conversations Happen to Good People! Matt returns home wanting to drop out of medical school.	*** "Austin Powers in Goldmember" (2002, Comedy) Mike Myers, Beyoncé Knowles, Seth Green. Austin must rescue his kidnapped father.	*** "Sun Also Rises" (1957, Drama) Tyrone Power, Ava Gardner, Mel Ferrer. An important war soldier is reunited with a former love.	Pacific Report	The Tonight Show (CC)	Let Show (CC)			
7	AFN-Alt	6:30 Guiding Light (CC)	General Hospital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)	Arthur (E) (CC) (DVS)	Doug "Night of the Living Dead" (DVS)	Lizzie McGuire "Oscillator" (CC)	All That		
8	NEWS	CNN Daybreak	The O'Reilly Factor	Good Morning America (CC)			Headline News	ABC World News This Morning (CC)	The Early Show (CC)			
9	SPTS	SportsCenter	MLB Baseball Teams to Be Announced.				SportsCenter		ESPN2: Then and Now			
10	SPTS	56 (CC)	ER Doctors treat a frightened nanny who may have been impregnated by her employer. (CC)	The Residents "Code Blue" Sunny Smith tries to reunite an alcoholic painter with his family.	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	*** "The Crossing Guard" (1995, Drama) Jack Nicholson, David Morse, Anjelica Huston. A grief-stricken father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)
14	TMC	(11) *** "Children on Their Birthdays" (2002, Drama) Joe Pichler, Tanya Plazek, Jesse Plemons. A boy copes with his first crush in the summer of 1947. PG (CC)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	The Newsfirst with Jim Lahr. (CC)	Now "Who Killed the Red Baron?" What may have happened to lighter ace Randolph. A great-scholar father plots a dramatic driver's demise. (R) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)	Scientific American Frontiers "Whether or not global warming has made its way to Alaska. (N) (CC)
24	PBS	CGI: The Big Red Dog "The Fishes Pet" (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)
25	SHOW	(6:00) *** "A Shot at Glory" (2000) Robert Davi. A faded star is hired to revive a Scottish soccer team. (R)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)
27	A&E	City Confidential "Sledge: Badge of Dishonor" A killer roams the freeways of Southern California. (CC)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)	Dragon Tales "Dustiel opens his magic book." (E)
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30	CNN-N	Larry King Live (CC)	CNN World News	World Sport	Business International	Business International	Business International	Business International	Business International	Business International	Business International	Business International
31	GOLF	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.	PGA Golf Nationwide Tour - Lake Erie Charity Classic - Third Round. From Findlay, N.Y.
32	TLC	Clean Sweep "Storming the Palace" Newsweek's need help organizing their bedroom and home office. (CC)	In a Fix "Southwestern Stakes" (N)	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.	Overhaul "Surfer Kid" A surfer's rusty 1977 El Camero is transformed.
34	TOON	Powerpuff Girls "Dexter's Laboratory"	Courage the Cowardly Dog	Justice League	Samurai Jack	Cartoon Cartoon	Cartoon shorts.	2 Stupid Dogs	Am Weasel	What a Cartoon Show	Scooby-Doo, Where Are You!	
35	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter Steve comes back-to-back with a Komodo dragon, the world's largest lizard. (CC)	The Planet's Funniest Animals	The Planet's Funniest Animals	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)	Croc Week "Crocs in the City" Steve travels to Mexico to study problems associated with crocodiles living in the middle of two major cities: Tampico and Cancun. (N) (CC)
36	COM	Late Night Minnie Driver: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)	The Daily Show "Vince Vaughn: Chris Klein, Judd, (CC)
40	NGC-A	Versions of Everest	Wildlife World	Planet Wild	In the Shadow of the Red Giant	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India	Maneaters of India
42	SPIKE	Horsepower TV (CC)	Horsepower TV (CC)	*** "Raging Bull" (1980, Biography) Marlon Brando, Al Pacino. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)	Robert De Niro, Cathy Moriarty, Joe Pesci. Premier. Oscar-winning study of boxer Jake LaMotta. (CC)
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44	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	BET.com Countdown	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)	The Parkers (CC)
46	COURT	NYPD Blue "Curse! Russell Simone and Spinovich look into the unexplainable strangling of East Indian woman.	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)	Cops Dallas officers chase a stolen car. (CC)
48	STR-WD	Baywatch (CC)	The Simpsons (CC)	Cheers (CC)	Star News Focus	Just Shoot Me (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)
50	LIFE	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."	The Golden Girls "Brooklyn's boyfriend is married."
51	ABC-FN	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)	Full House "Michelle wants to be a business. (CC)
53	HIST	"Tales of the Gun" The Rifle: The evolution of the rifle began with the Pennington rifle. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)	Modern Marvels "Ship of Gold" A ship vanishes with 400 passengers and 21 tons of gold. (CC)
57	STR-W	(6:30) "Tomorrow, Tuesday" (2002) Garth J. Mann. The Gill. Scientists try to perfect a tomorrow-telling device.	Sacked Peaks of Mt. Climbers attempt on a remote island expedition.	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)	Next Wave "Hermitage" (CC)
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59	MTV	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)	The Real World "Camran gets furious with Brad." (CC)
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Afternoon
12:30 V.P. (12) Starts
1:30 U.S. Movie (1986): The Thomas Crown Affair (2000/12)
5:50 News (CC)

Evening

7:00 News (1)
7:00 Japan Pro Ball: Hanishin Tigers vs. Yomiuri Giants (CC)
7:25 What I Like About You (3)
10:00 News (1)
10:05 Wimbledon Tennis 2004 (1)
11:30 U.S. Movie (1987): Grosse Pointe Blank (2/04/04)
12:40 Animal Planet (6)

JAPAN TV (BS1)

Morning
6:00 World News
7:00 World News
8:00 World News
9:00 World News
11:00 MLB Texas Rangers vs. Seattle Mariners

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2:00 PBS Newshour
3:00 CNN News
4:00 World News
5:00 CNN News
5:25 ABC News

Evening

6:00 Japan Pro Ball: Hanishin Tigers vs. Yomiuri Giants

JAPAN TV (BS11)

9:30 MLB Highlights
10:00 Wimbledon Tennis 2004
3:50 PBS Newshour
4:00 Asian News
5:00 World News

Morning

10:00 Classical Music: Duo Mezzana
10:00 Japan Movie (1957): Porte des Mers (1:18)

Evening

7:00 NHK News
8:00 U.S. Movie (2000): I Dreamed of Africa (2/00)
10:00 TV Series: Monk

JAPAN TV (BS11)

12:00 U.S. Movie (1994): Crooklyn (1:55)
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6:30 Oswald No. 20
7:30 TV Series: Friends
8:00 U.S. Movie (2001): Anne Frank: The Whole Story (1:21/1:55)
9:30 U.S. Movie (1985): The Color Purple (2:37)

Afternoon

12:00 TV Series: Dawson's Creek
1:00 Hong Kong Movie (1999): Fly Me to Paris (1:35)
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AFN schedule

Times listed are Japan and Korea Standard Time. Games are one hour ahead. Schedules subject to change without notice.

Television

AFN-Athletic

TUE, June 29, at 8:30 a.m. — Por tennis: Wimbledon, Day 5

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TUE, June 29, at 2 a.m. — Por tennis: Wimbledon, Day 5

TUE, June 29, at 8 a.m. — College baseball: 2004 World Series Championship Series, Game 1, State College, Fla., 1 p.m. EDT

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TUE, June 29, at 4 p.m. — Drag racing: 2004 NHRA Funny Car Nationals, 4 p.m. EDT

TUE, June 29, at 7 p.m. — Por baseball: 2004 World Series Championship Series, Game 1, State College, Fla., 1 p.m. EDT

Auto racing

Busch Alan Kulwicki 250

At The Milwaukee Mile, West Allis, Wis.

Race distance: 1.5 miles, 20 laps
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (20) Dan Wheldon, Dodge, 250, 545.000
2. (10) Scott Dixon, Dodge, 250, 545.000

3. (10) Jason Keller, Dodge, 250, 537.774
4. (10) Tony Stewart, Dodge, 250, 537.774

5. (10) Bobby Hamilton Jr., Ford, 250, 537.774
6. (10) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 250, 527.140

7. (10) Greg Biffert, Dodge, 250, 527.140
8. (10) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 250, 527.140

9. (10) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 250, 527.140
10. (10) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 250, 527.140

11. (10) Mike Wallace, Ford, 250, 520.835
12. (10) Hermie Sadler, Dodge, 250, 520.835

13. (10) Ashton Lewis Jr., Chevrolet, 250, 520.835
14. (10) Peter Reppert, Ford, 250, 518.885

15. (10) Jason Keller, Chevrolet, 246, 518.885
16. (10) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 246, 518.885

17. (10) Tim Fuchs, Chevrolet, 246, 518.885
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25. (10) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 246, 518.885
26. (10) Bobby Dotter, Chevrolet, 246, 518.885

27. (10) Jimmy Kitchens, Ford, 244, 513.085
28. (10) Jason Wason, Ford, 244, 513.085

29. (10) Jason White, Chevrolet, 244, 513.085
30. (10) Justin Allard, Chevrolet, 244, 513.085

31. (10) Johnny Sauter, Chevrolet, 222, 491.435
32. (10) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 139, 491.435

33. (10) Eddie Bahr, Ford, 125, brackets
34. (10) Tony Raines, Dodge, 88, electrical

35. (10) Bill Hoff, Chevrolet, 62, rear end
36. (10) Brad Teague, Ford, 60, brackets

37. (10) Chad Beahr, Dodge, 46, too slow
38. (10) Mike Harmon, Chevrolet, 11, over-

39. (10) Butch Jarvis, Pontiac, 9, vibration
40. (10) Josh Richeson, Ford, 4, brakes

41. (10) Jeff Luff, Chevrolet, 4, brakes
42. (10) Jason Schuler, Chevrolet, 1, over-

43. (10) Mike Potter, Chevrolet, 1, engine
44. (10) Tim Fuchs, Chevrolet, 1, engine

Time of Race: 2 hours, 27 minutes, 0 seconds
Speed: 102.038 mph

Caution Flags: 17 laps
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IRL-Richmond

At Richmond International Raceway, Richmond, Va.

Race length: 1.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

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3. (10) Tony Stewart, Dodge, 250, 537.774
4. (10) Bobby Hamilton Jr., Ford, 250, 537.774

5. (10) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 250, 527.140
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7. (10) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 250, 527.140
8. (10) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 250, 527.140

9. (10) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 250, 527.140
10. (10) Mike Wallace, Ford, 250, 520.835

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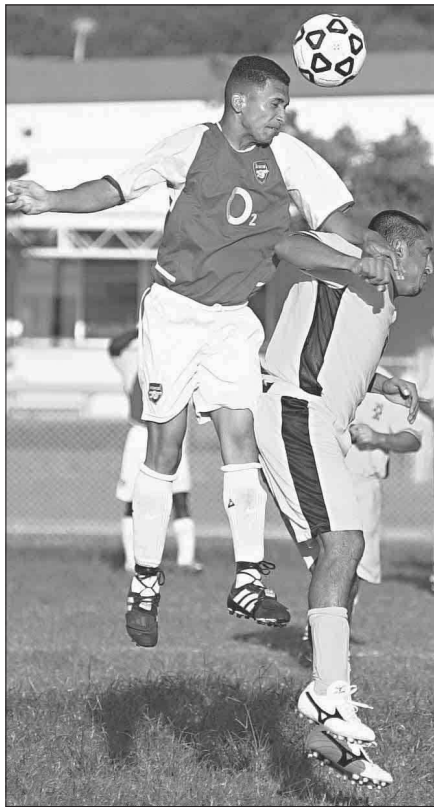
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A head-on approach



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

Kinsler Force defenseman Edgar Garcia and Mil United center-forward Roberto Gomez go up to head the ball during Sunday's championship match in the Kinslerfest Inter-service Soccer Tournament, which featured military teams from around the island.

McGahee anxious for first action since knee injury

BY JOHN WAWROW
The Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Ever since he was hurt, hardly a day has gone by without someone asking Willis McGahee about his left knee.

The questions have kept coming no matter how many times McGahee has said he'll be fine and playing better than before.

"How many times? I don't even keep track of that, anymore," the Buffalo Bills' running back said. "It's nothing new to me."

Soon, McGahee hopes to put all the questions to rest by showing what he can do on the field. His long wait is nearly over, some 18 months after his college career at Miami ended abruptly when he blew out his knee in the Fiesta Bowl.

He's passed the physicals, done every drill and made it through a month of minicamp practices this spring without a hitch.

"I'm anxious for the first game," McGahee said. "I've got the jitters. I want to play."

All that's left is for him to brace for that first hit, the one that only comes in competition against a fully-padded opponent.

It's the kind of jolt that will test his knee's strength — as much as it will his mind's resolve — to determine whether he's ready to play football again.

The Bills are off until they report for training camp in suburban Rochester on July 31; their preseason opener is Aug. 15 against Denver.

As a sophomore in 2002, he was the nation's best running back and considered a top-three pick in the 2003 draft after he set Miami records by scoring 28 touchdowns and rushing for 1,753 yards.

The national championship game, in which Miami lost to Ohio State, was supposed to be McGahee's send-off.

It instead turned out to become his biggest test. In the second half, and with Miami beginning to rally, McGahee went down following a crushing hit.

Two days later, he had surgery to repair three ligaments, including one that required major reconstruction. A day after that, his rehabilitation began with a few excruciating leg lifts that made him cry out in pain.

By March, McGahee was jogging and in April, the Bills drafted him 23rd overall.

He was the first running back selected, but it didn't matter to him whether he was taken in the first or seventh round. All McGahee wanted was a chance. Now he's got a five-year deal that could potentially be

worth \$15.53 million if he meets all the incentives.

"I'm better than I was last year, no complaints," McGahee said. "No lagging or nothing, full go."

The Bills and rookie coach Mike Mularkey are hoping he can give them a one-two rushing punch with returning starter Travis Henry.

It's an opportunity to revive what was an underused running attack last year, and take pressure off quarterback Drew Bledsoe, who struggled in a predictable passing game.

Mularkey made his intentions evident on the first snap of his first minicamp practice in March when he lined up Henry and McGahee in the same backfield.

"You get two quality backs like that, you've got to get them in the game somehow," Mularkey said.

And the coach doesn't appear worried about McGahee's knee, saying, "I purposely don't ask him how he's feeling." Nor is Mularkey concerned about whether he might create a running back controversy.

Henry, coming off consecutive 1,000-yard seasons, initially called it a slap in the face when the Bills drafted McGahee but has since reversed field, saying the two can get along.

McGahee said he and Henry are comfortable with each other.

"It wasn't his fault they drafted me," McGahee said. "Who knows? I'll probably make him better."

Bills President Tom Donahoe has no second thoughts about drafting McGahee, saying he was too good to pass up. Like McGahee and the rest of the team, Donahoe's itching to see how he responds to full contact.

"He's running around like he's not concerned about the knee, but you still have to get knocked around," Donahoe said. "And until that happens, that's probably the last hurdle that he has to get over."

McGahee said he's got nothing to prove to anybody but himself. He's the one who made the decision to turn pro. He's the one who pushed himself to extremes to get to this point.

And yet, McGahee acknowledges he's not certain what to expect.

So he's established modest goals to begin with.

"I will accomplish a lot by getting one touchdown. That's good enough for me," he said. "Then I'll know what to expect."

It's been a long time since he's reached the end zone.

"Yeah," McGahee said. "I've got to get back home."

"I'm anxious for the first game. I've got the jitters. I want to play."

Willis McGahee
Bills running back

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Dan Wheldon does a burnout after winning the SunTrust Indy Challenge on Saturday night in Richmond, Va.

Wheldon wins wild finish in IRL

The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — After 249 laps of bumping and jockeying Saturday night, it was a one-lap sprint to the finish.

Dan Wheldon was the unlikely winner of the SunTrust Indy Challenge, coming back from the 20th starting position to outspurt pole-winner Helio Castroneves in the final turn on the three-quarter-mile Richmond International Raceway.

"I don't think I had the quickest car today, but what helped me was I could run a lot of laps on the Firestones and my car just kept getting better and better," Wheldon said.

Coming out of a caution period with a lap remaining, Castroneves blew by Vitor Meira on the inside of the first turn, then made a run at Wheldon, falling short by 0.038 seconds.

IRL officials later disallowed Castroneves' pass of Meira because the track lights didn't change from yellow to green in the final lap. Meira finished second in the official results, and Castroneves was third.

Wheldon, who won earlier this year in Japan, moved into second place in the season standings, 17 points behind Tony Kanaan.

The race turned on a crash involving Sam Hornish Jr. and Tony Stewart. Hornish tried to pass Stewart on the outside of the second turn and clipped the South African's front

Racing roundup

wheel, sending himself into a slow 360.

Hornish, who led for 76 laps at the start of the race, was able to continue but dropped to 16th. He finished in 13th place, while Stewart failed to finish.

"That's what can happen when we're that close," Hornish said. Castroneves pitted during the caution at lap 192, while Wheldon and Meira stayed on the track. Wheldon drove the final 121 laps without refueling, while Meira went without a pit stop for 115 laps.

"It was all strategy," Meira said. "If it was green for the whole race, we would have struggled a lot."

Fortunately for Wheldon and Meira, there were 74 caution laps during the race, including 20 in the first half when a light drizzle started to fall on the track. Castroneves and Hornish, Team Penske teammates, led for much of the first half of the race, pulling ahead after every caution period and opening leads of as many as six seconds.

"It was really not the fastest car that won," Castroneves said.

Hornaday wins Busch race

WEST ALLIS, Wis. — Ron Hornaday Jr. won the Alan Kulwicki 250 Saturday night at the Milwaukee Mile, taking the lead with seven laps to go after rallying from a lap down.

Hornaday passed Shane Hmiel on the inside, ending Hmiel's chance for his first Busch Series victory.

Hornaday started in the 10th position, and dropped a lap behind when the first caution flag came out while he was in the pits.

The two-time Craftsman Truck Series champion worked his way through the field and managed to steal the race from Hmiel and David Stremme, who exchanged the lead several times. They led a total of 170 laps before fading at the end.

In all, eight racers led the 250-lap event — run under the lights for the first time — on the 1.032-mile track.

It was Hornaday's fourth career Busch Series victory and first this season.

Stremme finished second, followed by Jason Keller and Hmiel. Stremme was leading with 30 laps to go when he bobbed and slowed, allowing Hmiel to pass. Stremme won the pole position earlier in the day with a time of 29.375 seconds, which broke the track qualifying record of 29.394 set by Kevin Harvick in June 2001.

But he led the race for just one lap before being passed by Kyle Busch. He dropped several more spots before regaining the lead by passing Hmiel on the 14th lap. Hmiel's second pit stop moved him ahead of Stremme briefly, but Stremme passed him again with about 50 laps to go.

Wallace against proposed change

BY TOM GARDNER

The Associated Press

SONOMA, Calif. — With four of the past seven Nextel Cup races having finished under a yellow caution flag, NASCAR is considering a rule change that would give the drivers an opportunity to finish a race green.

The most likely scenario in the case of a caution in the last few laps of the race would be to re-start the cars with both the white one-lap-to-go flag and green displayed simultaneously.

"We're currently evaluating it," NASCAR spokesman Mike Zizzo said Saturday. "It's possible you could see it sometime later this year. But rumors it could happen as early as next week in Daytona aren't true."

Rusty Wallace hates the idea.

Racing notes

"They're talking about making it mandatory that it's green-white-checkered finishes so the fans don't get upset," the former series champion and longtime star said. "I don't agree with that, and I'll be the first one pointing back at you shouldn't do that."

"All these race fans drinking beer and screaming and hollering have not been in a helicopter over the end-over-end 30 times hanging out of you after going end-over-end 30 times like I've been before because of these green-white starts. I think it's ridiculous and it's unsafe."

Wallace said he knows his stand on this won't be popular with many of the fans.

"I'll take some heat, probably, but it's just the wrong thing to do," he said. "I'm not willing to do it to make the fans happy. They've been here all week long and they've seen 495 miles of racing and they'll just have to give up that last five miles of racing."

That hurts: Defending series champion Matt Kenseth slid off course and wrecked his primary car during the first of two Saturday practice sessions for the Dodge/Save Mart 350 at Infineon Raceway.

The battered Roush Racing Ford had to be towed to the garage area on a flatbed truck and the No. 17 team immediately began preparing Kenseth's backup car for Sunday's race. Kenseth qualified fifth for Sunday's race, but the rules require him to start from the rear of the 43-car field after switching cars.

Scott holds on, wins Booz Allen

The Associated Press

POTOMAC, Md. — An Australian with Greg Norman's coach and Norman's former caddy might have felt an extra dose of nerves taking a six-stroke lead into the final round of a tournament.

No worries, mate. Well, maybe a few.

After having his lead cut to two on the back nine, Adam Scott held off Charles Howell III for a four-shot victory Sunday at the Booz Allen Classic.

Golf roundup

Howell, trailing by seven shots after six holes, made a charge with five straight birdies on the back nine. But Scott recovered with back-to-back birdies and saved par with a tough 11-foot putt at the 16th to avoid tying Norman and three others for the biggest final-day collapse in PGA Tour history.

Scott closed with a 68 for a 21-under-par 263 total, tying the tournament and TPC at Avenel course record set by Billy Andrade and Jeff Sluman in 1991, while Andrade won in a playoff. Scott also broke the 36-hole Avenel record on Friday and tied the 54-hole mark on Saturday.

Howell, who broke the 18-hole record with a 61 on Thursday, finally faded when he hit the 17th and finished a 65 for a 267 total. Defending champion Rory Sabbatini shot a 66 to finish third with a 269, six strokes back.

Tseng stuns Wie in Women's Public

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — Ya-Ni Tseng of Taiwan made a 12-foot birdie putt on the 36th hole Sunday, capturing a dramatic comeback against Michelle Wie and winning the U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links Championship.

Wie, the 14-year-old defending champion, led 4-up early in the match and 1-up heading to the 34th tee. But she missed a 6-foot putt, allowing Tseng to pull even, and left a long putt on the last hole on the edge.

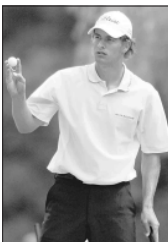
Tseng, 15, then rolled hers in to complete the stunning upset.

Saiki gets first LPGA Tour win

PITTSFORD, N.Y. — Kim Saiki won for the first time in her 12 years on the LPGA Tour, shooting a 1-under-71 Sunday and overtaking Rosie Jones by four strokes at the Rochester LPGA.

Saiki, 38, finished 14-under 274 at the tree-lined Locust Hill course. In a thrilling final round, Jones went ahead three times before a decisive swing at the par-4 14th when she three-putted from 18 feet for a double-bogey while Saiki curled in a 5-footer for birdie.

Jones shot a 74 to drop back



Adam Scott of Australia, above, survived a charge by Charles Howell III to win the Booz Allen Classic at TPC at Avenel in Potomac, Md., on Sunday.

into a tie for second with Mi Hyun Kim (72) of South Korea, a runner-up here in 2002 who picked up her 10th top-10 finish this year.

Annika Sorenstam managed only a 73 on Sunday and fell into a tie for seventh, along with Candie Kung (74), a three-time tour winner who was tied with Saiki after the second round.

Stadler wins Bank of America

CONCORD, Mass. — Craig Stadler shot an 8-under 64 to win the Bank of America Championship on Sunday, giving him a Champions Tour victory on the same day his son Kevin won on the minor league Nationwide Tour.

Stadler was getting updates on Kevin's round throughout the day.

After sinking a birdie on the 18th hole to finish at 15-under 201, Craig Stadler went into the scorer's trailer and watched as Kevin won the Lake Erie Charity Classic on the fourth playoff hole.

A cheer erupted from the trailer and the elder Stadler came out clapping his hands.

The only other time that a father and son are believed to have won pro tournaments on the same day was March 28, 1999, when David Duval won the Players Championship on the PGA Tour and Bob Duval won the Emerald Coast Classic on the senior circuit.

Frenchman Remesy wins French Open

VERSAILLES, France — Jean-Francois Remesy won the \$3.6 million French Open on Sunday, snapping a 35-year series of fruitless attempts at victory by French golfers.

The 40-year-old from Nîmes shrugged off a double-bogey at the first hole to shoot a par-round 71 and defeat Australians Richard Green and Nick O'Hern by five shots.

Contreras shines before wife, kids

BY RONALD BLUM
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The hugs and kisses said it all for Jose Contreras. With his family looking on, he became the dominating pitcher the New York Yankees expected all along.

Making his first start since his wife and children defected from Cuba last week, Contreras struck out a career-high 10 in six shutout innings, beating the New York Mets 8-1 on Sunday in the opener of a day-night doubleheader.

"I thought my dad was going to win," said 11-year-old Naylor Contreras, watching her father pitch in the major leagues for the first time.

Contreras was accompanied by wife Miriam and their two daughters for a postgame press conference. While Naylor sat next to her mother's lap, the pitcher sat next to them holding 3-year-old Naylor, who was expectedly kissing her head and squeezing her.

He dedicated Sunday's victory to his family and to "the people of Cuba who support me."

During the game, I didn't think about my family," he said through a translator. "I concentrated on getting one out after another. I knew after the game my family would be here."

At that presser, he said, "gave me more motivation."

A day after the Mets tripped up their wealthy crosstown neighbors 9-3 in the opener of this year's Subway Series, Contreras restored order, stifling the Mets on two hits until cramps in his forearm and thumb forced him out three pitches into the seventh.

He frustrated the Mets so much that Ty Wigington broke his own bat in half after he struck out in the third inning, then flung the two pieces.

Derek Jeter, who turned 30 Saturday, backed Contreras with two solo homers off Steve Trachsel (7-6) and Gary Sheffield homered for the second straight day.

Hideki Matsui added an eighth-inning grand slam on the first pitch after former Yankee Mike Stanton entered.

Signed to a \$32 million, four-year contract after defecting from Cuba in October 2002, Contreras (5-3) has showed flashes of brilliance but has been maddeningly inconsistent. The Yankees even sent him to the minor leagues for two starts last month.

He often talked of how much he missed his family, and Yankees manager Joe Torre said that his family situation might have contributed to his trouble adjusting.

Contreras' family left Cuba on a 31-foot boat last Sunday night and were captured by U.S. Border Patrol agents on Big Pine



Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter watches his first-inning homer against the New York Mets on Sunday. He also hit a home run in the third.

Key, Fla., the following morning. Contreras was reunited with them Tuesday night in Miami Beach, and they looked on from a mezzanine luxury suite on a sunny summer afternoon. His oldest daughter ate cotton candy.

"It tasted great," she said, also through a translator.

In the fifth, Mike Cameron got the Mets' second hit, a leadoff sin-

gle, only to be thrown out stealing by catcher John Flaherty. Contreras then walked the bases loaded — the four walks tied a career high — but he got out of trouble when Kaz Matsui flied softly to left on a 3-2 pitch.

"I was very tense," Miriam Contreras said. "As the game progressed and Jose was striking better than I, I was able to relax a little bit."

Pavano ends Tampa Bay streak vs. NL

BY FRED GOODALL
The Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Carl Pavano pitched seven innings to earn his career-high sixth straight victory, leading the Florida Marlins to an 11-4 victory over Tampa Bay on Sunday and stopping the Devil Rays' 13-game interleague winning streak.

Pavano (9-2) allowed one run on five hits and matched a season high with eight strikeouts. He hasn't lost since May 19 at Houston, and each of his last five starts have followed Marlins losses.

Jeff Conine celebrated his 38th birthday by getting three of the Marlins' season-high 17 hits, including a three-run double. Florida ended a three-game slide that dropped the defending World Series champions into second place behind Philadelphia in the NL East.

The Devil Rays, whose interleague winning streak dated a major league record, lost just the second time in a game since losing back to .500 (36-36) a day after becoming the first team in major league history to climb above .500 in a break-even point after being 18 games below.

Tampa Bay is 26-8 since May 20, including the 13-game interleague streak that matched the



Carl Pavano ended Tampa Bay's 13-game interleague win streak.

run the New York Yankees began against NL opponents last season and continued until San Diego ended the stretch on June 11.

Fred McGriff, who remained seven homers shy of 500 for his career, had two of Tampa Bay's five hits off Pavano, who also yielded singles to Rey Sanchez, Rocco Baldelli and Brook Fordyce.

The Devil Rays scored their

only run off the Florida starter on Carl Crawford's sacrifice fly in the third.

Damon Easley hit a solo homer off Chad Gaudin (1-2) and also drove in a run with a seventh-inning double for Florida. Juan Pierre added a two-run double during a four-run seventh against Tampa Bay's bullpen, and had a run-scoring fielder's choice in the eighth.

The Marlins also scored four in the third on Mike Lowell's RBI double that glanced off Crawford's glove in left field and Conine's bases-loaded double that sailed over the head of center fielder Joey Gathright.

In Saturday's game:

Devil Rays 6, Marlins 4: Tampa Bay became the first club in major league history to climb above .500 at any point in a season after being 18 games below.

"Why stop there?" Carl Crawford said after driving in three runs, including the go-ahead run with a double in the seventh. "We're playing well. Let's see what we can do. Who knows what can happen?"

Tampa Bay was 10-28 after losing 19 of 22 from April 25-May 19. The turnaround, which included a club-record 12-game winning streak, has the Devil Rays at 36-35 — the latest point in a season they've been above .500.

The 1899 Louisville Colonels are the only other team to get back to .500 after being 18 games below, but that team couldn't get over the break-even point and finished 75-77. Tampa Bay's success has carried it from last in the AL East to third, four games behind second-place Boston.

"That's a credit to the players," manager Lou Piniella said. "They're the ones who've got it done. They've played hard and very well. It's been impressive. It's good to do things nobody else has done."

Crawford had two hits for the seventh straight game and stole his AL-leading 33rd base. He had a two-run single in the second, and snapped a 4-4 tie by doubling off Matt Perisho in the seventh.

Joey Gathright scored the go-ahead run after drawing a walk from Joaquin Manzanillo (0-1) and stealing second.

Aubrey Huff added a solo homer off Ben Howard in the eighth to make it 6-4.

The Marlins have lost three straight and, at 39-35, fell one percentage point behind the Philadelphia Phillies for first in the NL East.

"We get the runs and no pitching. Then we get pitching and no runs," Marlins manager Jack McKeon said.

A's salvage bad day by ending SF's 7-game run

BY JANIE MCCAULEY
The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Octavio Dotel stumbled in his Oakland debut, then pulled out a victory in what nearly became a most depressing day for the Athletics pitching staff.

Dotel blew a save, starter Rich Harden left early with a shoulder injury and Opening Day pitcher Tim Hudson was placed on the disabled list with a strained stomach muscle. Even reliever Justin Duchscherer took a tumble on the mound, numbing up his leg.

Marc Scararo allowed every-one in the franchise to go home happy, singling in Bobby Kielty for the winning run in the 10th inning as the A's snapped San Francisco's seven-game winning streak with an 8-7 victory Saturday night.

Dotel (1-0) blew Oakland's 15th save this year, but lasted 2 2/3 innings for the win.

"It's good that we won. That's the whole key. I didn't save the game, but we won," said Dotel, who had to fly from Houston to Oakland on Saturday morning just to make it to the stadium in time. But he refused to make any excuses.

"Tomorrow's another day," Scararo, who hit a tiebreaking double in the seventh, connected on a slider from Jim Brower (5-4) with two outs. Saturday played against Dotel in Double-A and Triple-A, so he was happy to help him get his first Oakland win.

Dotel, acquired from Houston in a three-team trade Thursday, entered with one out in the eighth after Jim Meiriz allowed two walks and a hit to load the bases. Dotel got Michael Tucker to pop out on the first pitch, then struck out Marquis Grissom.

Dotel walked Barry Bonds leading off the ninth and allowed a single to Pedro Feliz before A.J. Pierzynski followed with a one-run homer to pull the Giants within 7-6 — a shot Dotel considered a "welcome to Oakland." Tucker's sacrifice fly tied it.

"He was throwing the ball pretty good in the eighth," Scararo said. "I'm sure he's going to come back tomorrow and get the job done."

The game attracted a sellout crowd of 55,989, largest in the majors this season and the biggest ever for a baseball game at the Coliseum, surpassing the 55,861 for the third game of the AL division series Oct. 13, 2001, against the New York Yankees.

Jermaine Dye hit a two-run homer and Scott Hatteberg had two singles, an RBI and scored a run for the A's, who had lost five of seven.

Scararo hit a tiebreaking double to the gap in left-center with one out in the eighth. Oakland's starter Rich Rueter, scoring pinch-runner Ramon Castro. Eric Karros doubled to lead off the inning after a baseball's hit. Oakland added runs on pinch-hitter Mark Kotzky's single and a double by Bobby Crosby.

Beltran trade pays off

Newest Astro saves homer and scores winning run; Pena's grand slam gives Tigers a win over Arizona

The Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas — Roy Oswalt struck out nine while throwing eighth shutout innings, benefiting from a home run-robbing catch by newly acquired Carlos Beltran, and the Houston Astros won Monday's 1-0 game to end the Texas Rangers' eight-game winning streak.

Beltran, acquired from Kansas City in a three-way trade last Thursday, scored the lone run for Houston.

Baseball roundup

He also saved a run with an incredible catch in the first. Michael Young led off with a deep drive to center. Beltran leaped and extended his glove over the top of the wall, but it wasn't immediately clear whether he had caught the ball when he dropped to the ground in a sitting position.

After a momentary pause, with Young already trotting halfway between second and third, Beltran got up and pulled the ball out of his glove.

Oswalt (6-6), who didn't walk a batter, overcame extra-base hits in three consecutive innings. Brad Lidge pitched a perfect ninth for his fourth save in six chances, completing the Astros' seventh shutout.

Tigers 9, Diamondbacks 5: Carlos Pena's grand slam in the bottom of the ninth inning sent visiting Arizona to a franchise-record ninth straight loss.

It was the fourth win in a row for the Tigers, who finished off a three-game sweep and won on a game-ending homer for the second time.

Braves 8, Orioles 7: J.D. Drew homered during a seven-run eighth inning as visiting Atlanta rallied from a seven-run deficit. It was the biggest comeback of the year for the Braves, who trailed 7-0 after six innings. Atlanta took two of three from the Orioles to end a run of five straight series losses.

Brewers 7, Twins 3: Doug Davis (8-5) won his fourth straight start and Lyle Overbay homered for visiting Milwaukee.

Davis allowed three runs and eight hits in 6½ innings, striking out six and walking three.

Pirates 14, Reds 4: Jason Bay hit a three-run homer and Josh Fogg allowed two runs in six innings for visiting Pittsburgh.

Fogg (5-6) improved to 4-1 in his career against the Reds, who lost just their third of 11 home series this season. He allowed three hits as the Pirates won back-to-back road games for the first time this month.

In Saturday's games:

Cardinals 3, Royals 1: Edgar Renteria's RBI single drove in the winning run in the 10th inning for visiting St. Louis.

Julian Tavarez (2-0) threw one inning of shutout relief. Jason L-

ringhausen pitched the 10th for his 17th save in 21 chances.

White Sox 6, Cubs 3: Paul Konerko and Jose Crede homered in a five-run third to back a solid six-inning effort from rookie right-hander Felix Diaz. Jose Valentin added a solo homer in the seventh for the host White Sox.

Diaz (1-1) allowed three runs and six hits for his first big league victory.

Angels 7, Dodgers 5: Garret Anderson's second two-run homer drove in the go-ahead runs in the eighth and Vladimir Guerrero added a two-run shot and scored three times to help the visiting Angels rally.

Anderson's sixth homer off Guillermo Mota (3-3) followed leadoff single by Guerrero and snapped a 5-5 tie. The win was the Angels' sixth straight against Los Angeles dating to last season.

Rangers 8, Astros 7: Hank Blalock matched a career high with four hits, including the go-ahead homer in the eighth inning, to lead the host Rangers to their eighth straight victory. Blalock went 4-for-5, and his 18th homer came with two outs off Dan Miceli (3-5).

Mariners 7, Padres 3: Julio Mateo set a club record by winning his first five career decisions and Jolbert Cabrera hit a three-run homer off Ismael Valdez (6-4) in the sixth inning to snap host Seattle's four-game losing streak.

Indians 4, Rockies 1 (2): Ben Broussard lined a game-winning double in the 12th to give the host Indians a victory.

The Indians lost ace C.C. Sabathia, who left with a sore shoulder after retiring the side in the first on only eight pitches. He was taken for an MRI.

Tigers 7, Diamondbacks 6: Eric Munson homered leading off the ninth to provide the difference for the host Tigers.

Carlos Guillen also homered and drove in four runs as the Tigers handed Arizona its eighth straight loss.

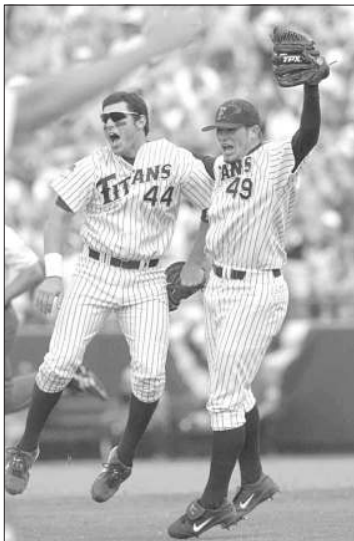
Brewers 7, Twins 2: Jeff Liefert homered for the first time in 11 months and tied a career high with four RBIs for visiting Milwaukee. Liefert, who entered the game hitless in his previous nine at-bats, went 2-for-3 for the Twins, whose three-game winning streak ended.

Blue Jays 10, Expos 5: Miguel Batista pitched seven innings and Frank Menechino and Reed Johnson hit home runs to lead the host Blue Jays, who scored four unearned runs off three errors.

Braves 5, Orioles 0: Russ Ortiz pitched seven scoreless innings to earn his first victory in June. Ortiz (7-6) allowed seven hits, walked two and struck out four.

He was 0-2 in four starts this month after going 4-1 in May.

Pirates 1, Reds 0: Randall Simon pitched his first home in the top of the ninth inning, and visiting Pittsburgh snapped Cincinnati's three-game winning streak.



J.P. Plittiere (44) and Jason Windsor (49) celebrate a 3-2 victory over Texas on Sunday that gave Cal State Fullerton the NCAA baseball title. Fullerton won its fourth title and Windsor was selected the series MVP.

Fullerton rallies past Texas for NCAA title

By ERIC OLSON

The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — A season that began with a struggle ended in style for Cal State Fullerton.

Jason Windsor pitched a five-hitter, Kurt Suzuki's RBI single capped a three-run seventh inning and Cal State Fullerton won the national championship with a 3-2 victory over Texas in the College World Series on Sunday.

The Titans (47-22) won the best-of-three championship series 2-0, a surprising end to a season in which Fullerton at one time was 15-16. The 22 losses are the most by a national champion since Stanford's 23 in 1983. Fullerton also won national titles in 1979, 1984 and 1995 — all under current Texas coach Augie Garrido.

The Longhorns, the top-seeded team in the NCAA tournament, finished 58-15.

Windsor (13-4) was strong in throwing his second complete game of the College World Series. He struck out 10 and walked one.

Windsor shut out South Carolina on a three-hitter in the Titans' opener, and he pitched three innings of shutout relief Thursday in another win over the Gamecocks.

In 21 innings, Windsor gave up 11 hits and two runs, struck out 29 and was selected the tournament's MVP.

Suzuki lined a two-out single

into left field, scoring Ronnie Prettyman from second with the deciding run. Suzuki had been 2-for-20 in the College World Series before his big hit.

Fullerton, held to five hits over the first 6½ innings, broke through from Texas starter Sam LeCure was relieved by Buck Cody (1-2) with the Longhorns leading 2-0.

Pinch-hitter Brett Pitt tripled in the seventh on Cody's first pitch, scoring Bobby Andrews to cut Texas' lead to 2-1. A wild pitch by Cody scored pinch-runner Brandon Tripp with the tying run.

Prettyman reached on a throwing error by Texas shortstop Michael Hollimon, and later scored from second on Suzuki's hit off J. Brent Cox.

LeCure struck out five and walked none.

LeCure stayed in the game after being hit on the right ankle by a hard comebacker by Justin Turner in the fifth inning. The ball ricocheted to third baseman David Maroul, who threw out Turner to end the inning. LeCure hopped back to the dugout, and a few minutes later was throwing in the bullpen.

Texas took a 2-0 lead against Windsor, who saw his scoreless innings streak end at 27½ innings.

Dooley Price continued leading off the game and Taylor Tesagden reached on a fielder's choice before Hunter Harris drove both in with a single to center.



Detroit's Carlos Pena hits a two-out, walk-off grand slam in the ninth inning to give the Tigers a 9-5 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Sunday.

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No rest for the rainy

Wimbledon fans turn out in force to watch matches on middle Sunday for only third time

BY JOHN PYE
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WIMBLEDON, England — Andy Roddick and Roger Federer reached the round of 16 at Wimbledon while thousands lined up to be part of the third "People's Sunday" in 127 years.

Wimbledon organizers were forced to schedule matches on the middle Sunday — usually a rest day — to clear a backlog after washouts Wednesday and Saturday.

The top-ranked Federer hit 44 winners and advanced with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 win over Thomas Johansson. There were about 8,000 people still in lines outside when Federer rifled a forehand return on match point after 1 hour, 37 minutes.

Centre Court was full by the time defending women's champion Serena Williams beat Spain's Magui Serna 6-4, 6-0 in 58 minutes.

The top-seeded Williams looked subdued with both her mother and father watching from the stands, but still had 11 aces and 29 winners with only one double-fault and 11 errors.

Williams got off court just before showers delayed play late in the afternoon.

She'd followed Tim Henman onto Centre Court, and the crowd was worked up after the British favorite beat Morocco's Hicham Arazi 7-6 (6), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

Second-seeded Roddick beat fellow American Taylor Dent 6-3, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (1).

"I played well today. I lifted my game — I was forced to," Roddick said. He'll meet 6-foot-7 Alexander Popp in the next round.

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Tim Henman, above, England's best hope for a British men's champion since 1936, defeated Morocco's Hicham Arazi 7-6 (6), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 at Wimbledon on Sunday. Because of rain delays, play was held on the traditional middle Sunday rest day for only the third time in the 127-year history of the tournament.



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IRL's Wheldon wins sprint to checkered flag in Richmond

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Thousands of fans were still in line to enter the grounds at Wimbledon when defending champion Roger Federer won Sunday's first match.



A member of the grounds staff sorts out players' names on the scoreboard Sunday. Rain washed out play on Wednesday and Saturday, causing dozens of matches to be rescheduled.

